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Negotations are pending by which Dr. Shattuck expects to have the Sanitarium property turned into a hotel.

Friday evening, December 25th will be your only chance to see the court of Christmas.

Alfred McHenry, the Benton merchant, has opened a fine display of holiday goods. Call and see them.

Mr. Edward Flynn, accompanied by Miss May Langdon and Miss May Sweeney, three of the popular school teachers of Centralia, gave us a pleasant call Wednesday afternoon.

The following comes by mail without any signature:

Five per cent will be added to the state and county taxes of Greenwood township after Dec. 24, 1891.

Instead of a half sheet, or no sheet at all during the Holidays THE COLUMBIAN will publish an extra Christmas edition, larger than usual. Watch for it.

Do not fail to hear Hettie Bernard Chase at the Opera House next Thursday evening, December 24th. You will miss a treat if you fail to go. Secure your seats early at F. D. Dentler s.

The work on Market street is approaching completion. The weather has been very favorable thus far. A snow storm and a freeze up would have stopped travel on the street the remainder of the winter.

The interior of the vault for the Phonotary's office has arrived. It cannot be put in place until the office is moved to the front room in the new part, when the present office will be made into a vault.

The sermons on the Ten commandments by Rev. P. A. Heilman in the Lutheran church have awakened a great deal of interest. Large congregations fill the church every Sunday evening. The last one of the series next Sunday evening.

The Calliepian Society of the "Normal" will hold a public entertainment in Institute Hall. Saturday evening, Dec. 19. A special programme has been prepared, and a good time may be looked for. The public are cordially invited to attend.

There is some talk of forming a new county out of portions of Northumberland, Columbia and Schuylkill, with Shamokin as the county seat. Centralia borough and Conyngham township would probably be cut off from Columbia by this move.

The Teachers' Institute has been well attended, and the proceedings have been highly instructive and entertaining. Superintendent Johnston is entitled to much credit for his excellent management. The proceedings will be printed in full as soon as they can be obtained.

Rev. Russel H. Conwell's lecture on Monday night was listened to by a large and attentive audience. For two hours he held his listeners, and no one thought of being tired. His subject, "A silver crown" was handled in a novel and entertaining manner.

The show windows of the merchants, the jewelers, the stationers and the confectioners have all put on a holiday appearance, and present a most inviting aspect. There ought to be no difficulty, even with those of expensive tastes, to find suitable Christmas presents at home this year.

Though there has been a full week of entertainments, that which will be given this Friday evening in the Opera House will be different from any of them. The Hotchkin Sisters Bell Ringers have a high reputation, and the price of admission has been put down to 35 and 25 cents. Go and hear them.

Our sale register is beginning to fill up. Those who contemplate having sales in the spring would do well to have it announced now, so that no one else in the same locality will select the same date. A free notice is given in this paper for every sale for which bills are printed at this office. A charge of 25 cents is made for announcing sales when bills are printed elsewhere.

"Santa Claus chimney" will be the scene of interest at the Lutheran church on Christmas eve. Every child will have a brick in that chimney and Santa himself is expected there. The exercises will be principally by the infant class. The anniversary proper will be held on New Years night when the school will be represented in twenty-five "Bible Designs" lighted with a gas Christmas tree.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The teachers of Bloomsburg held their third monthly institute, Dec. 12. After the call to order by the Principal the institute gave the opening song. Rev. Heilman conducted the devotional exercises. The Sec. then called the roll and all the teachers responded. This feature proves beyond a doubt that the teachers are alive to the great value of these meetings where an exchange of ideas, methods, and thought may be given. Miss Anna Fox and Mr. John Fox entertained the institute with a well rendered duet. Prof. Welsh of the Normal was introduced and spoke on the subject of applied psychology. He spoke eloquently in behalf of a deeper study of child life: he said that teachers sometimes deal with that which they do not understand. Children can not be well developed if put under the instruction of one who does not understand their natures. We should study self before we study the minds of others. No teacher should stay long in the profession without knowing what is placed in his hands. We sometimes think that the end of education is imparting facts. This is wrong, let us develop mind. The first power to be attended to is attention, children have weak attention; exercises will strengthen it. Teach to see by the mind, we see a great deal every day, but only see it half. Knowing all about the powers of the mind is of no avail unless we use them Misses Fox and Jones and Messrs Yost and Yetter charmed the institute with one of their famous quartettes. Prof. Butts was then introduced and addressed the institute on music. He said that character is the saving element of the individual The state is composed of individuals and as the character of her individuals so is the State. Music wedded to the school will raise the moral tone of the community. Music is a heart language and as such has great disciplinary power. He also gave his method of teaching music in a grammar grade. Prof. Sterner called the attention of the teachers to the propriety of having a course of study for the teachers. After a short discussion voted upon by the teachers, a committee was appointed to report at the next meeting. It was agreed that at the next meeting the teachers discuss the notes taken at the county Institute.

A vote of thanks was extended Miss Maud Runyan, Messrs. Yost and Fox, and Prof. Butts and Prof. Welsh and Rev. Heilman for their assistance in making the institute a success. Visitors present, eight and directors one, Mr. J. K. Bittenbender.

SAMUEL PURSEL, Sec'y.

RESOLUTIONS.

At a recent meeting of Benton Lodge I. O. O. F. 746, the following resolutions of condolence on the death of Brother Elias Fritz were unanimously adopted

WHEREAS. The Great Master of the universe has called from our midst Brother Elias Fritz who departed this life suddenly Dec. 9, 1891. Therefore

Resolved,—That in the death of Brother Fritz, our lodge has lost a faithful member, his family a loving husband and father, society an ornament and the church a diligent and earnest worker.

Resolved,—That we tender to our bereaved Mrs. Fritz and her children our heart felt sympathy in this their sad affliction.

Resolved,—That our hall and charter be draped in morning for the period of three months, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased, and copies sent to the county papers for publication.

C. F. MANN,
S. S. FRITZ,
JNO. A. CHAPIN, } Committee.

RATS! RATS! RATS!

The largest catch of rats was made Tuesday evening by W. H. Housel, Steward at the Normal School. Their cook, a Frenchman, called his attention to a large wire rat catcher made in France. Mr. Housel called upon J. R. Schuyler, the Hardware Merchant to inquire if he knew where they could be secured. Mr. Schuyler sent for the trap which arrived Tuesday. It was taken to the Normal School and at once put into use. At seven o'clock one rat had entered the trap, an hour later there were *sixteen* in it. The trap is made of wire, is about two feet long and one foot in diameter, has drop lids which prevent rats from escaping when once they enter.

Mr. Schuyler has ordered a smaller size which will be on sale in a few days.

Don't miss seeing the pack of firecrackers and hearing the turkey's gobble at the court Christmas, Opera House, Friday evening, December 25.

FIRE AT CENTRALIA.

Centralia was the scene on Monday night of the most disastrous fire that it has ever witnessed in its history. At 7:30 that evening a large engine passed up the Lehigh Valley Railroad which runs directly through the town and a few minutes later a flame was seen issuing from under the roof of James Haggerty's dwelling. The bucket brigade turned out. Word was dispatched to Ashland summoning the fire department.

By the time they arrived the fire had enveloped two double blocks, and threatened to wipe out the entire place. The department was unable to use their hose, owing to a lack of force, and their only means of fighting the fire was by tearing down two houses.

The buildings destroyed were owned and occupied as follows: James Haggerty occupied the corner house and John McNelius the next. These two were owned by Haggerty and were partly insured. The next two houses were owned by Irvin Bros., and occupied by Martin Hagin and Alfred Towers. These were also insured. The next two houses were owned by James Grant and occupied by himself and Charles Miller. These were insured.

The houses adjoining, which were pulled down, were owned by O. B. Millard and occupied by Mrs. Foley. One-third of the tenant's household goods were consumed.

While William Thomas, of Centralia's bucket brigade, was fighting the flames he fell from the roof, sustaining serious injuries. It is supposed that the passing engine caused the fire.

When the fire broke out an entertainment was in progress in the Opera House and the people rushed from the building. The loss is estimated at $20,000, and is partly covered by insurance.

EAST BENTON.

Ed Laubach of Cambra, son of Andrew Laubauch Esq. of Guava, met with a sad accident week ago last Thursday. His left hand was caught in a corn husking machine and literally torn to shreds. The hand was amputated at the wrist joint, Dr. Bonham performing the surgical operation. Mr. Laubach exhibited rare presence of mind and heroic bravery by giving directions how to unfasten and remove parts of the machinery in order to get him loose from his perilous position. He said, "what will I do? I needed both my hands." The entire community sympathize with Mr. Laubach in his distressing misfortune.

On the same day one of John Hirlinger's girls, of Fairmount, had two fingers cut off by a fodder cutter machine, Dr. Bonham also dressing her wounds. A gala day for Dr. Bonham, but not for the unfortunate victims of accident.

George Carey, of Cambra, has been engaged for some time as clerk for Stevens, Shonk & Co., in West Virginia, and is now home arranging to move his family in the course of a week or so.

The republicans of New York have found it up Hill business to steal the Legislature.

Many Christmas presents are looked for, and also forth coming, but the most unnatural feature of the Christmas festival is the turkey offering himself a living sacrifice by strutting about and almost continually gobble, gobble, gobble, and after the roast, the guests giggle, giggle, giggle.

LIGHT-STREET.

The Mill wrights at Lockard's Mill are about through with their work and are preparing to leave. The expert to try the mill in all its workings is expected to begin operations next week.

G. M. Lockard purchased a pair of horses from a drove on Thursday last.

Rev. W. R. Whitney began his protracted meeting on Sunday evening.

The public schools are closed this week, the teachers being in attendance at the County Institute.

The squeal of the porkie can be heard on all sides, furnishing the necessaries of life in that line. As far as heard from, John Eckroth leads off in weight, Jacob Terwilliger second, and A. F. Terwilliger coming in third. Weights as follows: 400 each, 730 for two and 677 for two.

The case of J. W. Hoffman vs. the Bloomsburg & Sullivan R. R. Co., is being tried this week. It was tried once before, and the Supreme Court reversed it, and sent it back for another trial.

The best and surest dye to color the beard *brown* or *black*, as may be desired, is Buckingham's Dye for the whiskers. It never fails.

THE COURT OF CHRISTMAS.

It is not often that we are permitted to see the crowning of the May Queen, take part in a Fourth of July celebration, participate in a Thanksgiving dinner and attend Christmas festivities all in one evening, and yet this is what the M. E. Sunday School proposes to do in presenting the fascinating cantata—The Court of Christmas. King Christmas wishing to reward only the good children of his realm, calls upon Santa Claus to help him determine who shall be rewarded, and who deprived of the royal favors Jolly old St. Nick knowing he cannot give an impartial verdict calls upon the Queens of the seasons, to watch the children and report the good and bad at court. Tiny flower-sprites sport about, a cluster of beautiful sunbeams throw light upon the scene, delicate moon beams assist their Queen in her mission, bluff old Winter will be there with a good word for everyone.

Notwithstanding that our Town Council has forbidden the use of firecrackers within the city limits, there will be a live pack at court. As you listen to their "boom, bang" you will surely think our national holiday is taking place in mid winter. The crack of the fire-crackers hardly dies away until you listen to the gobble of the turkeys and get ready for Thanksgiving dinner, before your appetites are satisfied. King Christmas calls his court together, Santa Claus and all court attendants assemble and amid much rejoicing, reward all the children Come one and all—embrace this one opportunity of a life-time of seeing King Christmas, Santa Claus, the seasons, flower-sprites, sunbeams moonbeams, &c., assembled together in the Court of King Christmas.

At the Opera House, Friday evening, December 25th. Admission, Adults 25 cents, children 10 cents.

OBITUARY.

On Dec. 10, occurred the death of another of the Fritz family. Elias S. Fritz, a man who lived all the days of his life near his native hills in Sugarloaf passed away to his happy rest. He was aged 59 years, 10 months, and 21 days. His sickness was short, but few knew that he was ill until death had done its work. A widow and two children survive him, Americas S. Fritz, and Esther A. Fritz of Central Elias S. Fritz was a son of Samuel Fritz, who died last summer at the age of 90 years. The funeral was held on Saturday at St. Gabriel's church, Rev. Rockwell officiating.

A gang of thieves broke in Ash & Bro's, mill in Briarcreek, Col. Co., Pa., and stole an overcoat, box of cigars, paper of smoking tobacco and some whiskey. They broke six locks in all, and made a general search through all papers in safe and desks. They left two chisels, one is three-eighths of an inch wide and three-fourths of an inch thick and is welded in the middle and has two rings around the wood on the handle; a chisel that is mostly used in making door frames and window sashes. The other one is two inches wide, and both chisels have an indication of being used.

Any one missing such chisels will do the firm a favor by letting them hear from them It was only on last October the 30th, when the mill was broken in before and a similar search was made by some unknown persons.

THE BELL RINGERS ARE COMING.

HOTCHKIN SISTERS UNDER AUSPICES OF EPISCOPAL LADIES' GUILD.

Swiss bells, chime bells, Munich bells, Russian sleigh bells, Norwegian call bells. Violins, cornet, flute, zither, xylophone, auto harp, mandolins, guitar and piano. Bloomsburg Opera House, this Friday, Dec. 18. This rare company has been secured for one night only, and you will be given an opportunity to hear them for half their regular prices. Tickets for sale at Savage's Wells' and Bernhard's jewelry stores. Prices: General admission 25c. Reserved seats 35c.

THE TOWN CLOCK.

The new town clock has been a public nuisance ever since it was put in. This is either owing to the fact that it is good for nothing, or that it has not had proper care. We believe the latter to be the case. Part of the time it has been ten minutes too fast or fifteen minutes too slow. On Sunday night it stopped altogether at 10.-20. If the county commissioners will either employ a competent man to attend to the clock, and keep the proper time, or stop it entirely, they will be doing something that the public will appreciate.

TEACHERS' LOCAL INSTITUTE

The teachers of Centre and Scott townships convened as per announcement at Fowlersville on Saturday, December 12th, 1891. Miss Anna Kistner gave an interesting talk on teaching Physiology to primary pupils, developing the thought step by step in having them learn the names of the skeleton as we know them simply and then as they are known physiologically as given on the chart. Miss Fister read an essay, subject, Attention, by which suggestions were given to show that merit wins to the cultivation of the child's attention. Miss Hattie Hinkleman recited a German poem Lorelei, in German then in English, much to the delight of all. As some of the teachers were not able to get there to whom the various parts of the work were assigned, the teachers as a body engaged in discussions on Language and Reading much to the delight of all. The hour having arrived for adjournment, adjourned to meet at Light Street, January 9th, 1892 at 1 o'clock.

A. F. TERWILLIGER, Secretary.

THE STROUP SALE.

The sale of properties of the late David and Hester Stroup, by the executors, H. H. Grotz and C. A Kleim, took place in the court room last Saturday. It was well attended, and the bidding was lively. J. S. Williams was the auctioneer. The properties were sold as follows: Main street homestead to J. A. Hess for $3100; double house and lot on Main street, corner of Catherine, to E B. Brower for $1275; house and lot on Iron street next to William Kramer, to William Kramer for $1100; lot on corner of Fourth and Iron, to C. L. Sands, for $805; lot adjoining last named to C. W. Miller, for $435; adjoining lot to P. S. Harman for $505; house and lot on Seventh street near Neal's furnace to John Galligan for $510: house and lot on Seventh street to Misses Sitler for $775; house and lot on Centre street to Mrs. Anna Riley for $900; two double houses on Fourth street between Centre and Iron, to H. J. Clark for $3500; house and lot Third street to Adam Utt for $885. It was the largest sale of the kind ever held in Bloomsburg, and it is quite remarkable that every property offered was sold the first trial, at good prices.

Uncle's Darling,

"Uncle's Darling," which Hettie Bernard Chase will present, is a comedy quite different in construction from any other that has been given here. The scenes are laid in British Columbia and Alaska, and its characters are all sea-faring men. Miss Chase takes the part of "Little Dar," a regular sea nymph, who can row a boat with the most expert oarsmen and swim like a fish. The part is particularly fitted for Miss Chase, who clothes it with a free, easy, honest grace that charms her audience and stamps her as one of the finest of soubrette artists.

Bloomsburg Opera House, Thursday evening, December 24th. Popular prices of admission.

The M. E. Sunday School of Buckhorn will hold their annual Christmas entertainment on Christmas night, Dec. 25. The Cantata, Santa's Surprise, will be played. This is one of the most acceptable cantatas ever produced, full of pleasant surprises, charming music, merry songs, appreciative recitations, enjoyable dialogues. Everything will be done to make it an evening of pleasant enjoyment. Admission 10 and 15 cents. Proceeds for Sunday School.

THANKS!

Last week's COLUMBIAN contained a very complete illustrated article upon the Normal School. The COLUMBIAN is fully up with the times in enterprise, in which particular it leads its county seat contemporaries— *Catawissa News Item*.

The Comedy of Hettie Bernard Chase which will be rendered in the Opera House, Thursday evening of next week' is said to be one of the best that has been in this section. A number of our citizens have heard the play and pronounce it great.

Rev. T. A. Lloyd of Conshohocken, will preach in the Baptist church next Sunday, morning and evening.

The new furniture for the ladies' waiting room in the court house, has been purchased and has arrived.

You can get a big stew of oysters and a hot cup of coffee for 25c., at Housel's.

PERSONAL.

W. A. Marr, Esq., of Ashland was was in town on Monday.

Mrs. Charles Watson McKelvy spent last week in Philadelphia.

Geo. L. McHenry of Benton was a juror this week.

Dr. L. A. Shattuck was in town this week.

David Welsh of Centralia, spent part of the week in Bloomsburg.

Miss Josephine McKelvy has been confined to the house this past week by illness.

Hon. E. M. Tewksbury attended the State Grange at Harrisburg last week.

Mrs. F. H. Jenkins returned from her visit in Philadelphia Monday evening.

Jno. R. Townsend and L. Bernhard, went to Scranton Wednesday, to attend the funeral of a friend.

Mrs. Mary Hess of Benton is spending a few days in town with Mrs. Jane McBride, and friends.

John W. Heilman and wife from Muncy have been the guests of their brother, the pastor of the Lutheran church for the past few days.

James McFadden who has been kept in doors for the past two months with rheumatism, is now able to walk out.

Charles B. Ent of Lightstreet, who has been sick for several weeks, is able to be out again and was in town this week. He looks thin, but is rapidly improving.

J. W. Perry of Elk Grove was in town Thursday. Mr. Perry shot a deer two weeks ago Tuesday at a distance of 83 rods. This is the longest shot ever made by any one in this section.

The arbitrators in the suit of E. W. M. Low vs. B. & S. R R. company have filed an award in favor of the plaintiff for $1000. The suit was for damages to plaintiff's farm by the construction of the railroad.

Ex-sheriff H. P. Carter of Wyoming county was in town on Monday. He is now living at Wilkes-Barre, and is agent for the United States Life Insurance Company of New York. He also deals in real estate, and does a collection business.

Miss Lizzie Kline of Orangeville, and Miss Bertha Wright of Millville, both engaged in teaching school in Mt. Pleasant township, called at THE COLUMBIAN office on Thursday and inspected the process of printing a newspaper. They are bright and agreeable young scool-marms.

Columbia county was represented in the State Grange last week by William T. Creasy and Adam Rarig from the other side of the river, and on this side by Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Laubach, Mr. and Mrs. Bogart, Mr and Mrs. Barton, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Creveling.

La Vallette Commandery Knights of Malta, will hold their regular holy day services, in their council chamber, Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock. All Sir Knights are requested to be present.

After much persuasion and many consultations with St. Nick, King Christmas has consented to present his entire court to the public, Friday evening, December 25th in the Opera House.

The Eleventh Winona Reception will be held at the Exchange Hotel on Monday evening, December 28th. The music will be furnished by Bauer's orchestra of Scranton. Charles Watson McKelvy, will be Master of Ceremonies; F. P. Pursel, Fred Ikeler, F. H. Wilson, assistants, J. M. Clark, Fred Williams, A. W. Duy, W. P. Meigs, S. F. Peacock and E. S. McKillip, Committee of Arrangements.

Col. A. K. McClure was prevented from keeping his engagement to lecture before the Institute on Wednesday evening by illness. This was a great disappointment to Supt. Johnston as well as to the public, but he succeeded in securing Dr. Phillips, Principal of the West Chester Normal School, for the evening, and the audience was treated to a very interesting discourse.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., post office and will be sent to the dead letter office Dec. 29th, 1891.

John Alndt, Mr. Geo S. Creasy, Miss Emma Dyer, Miss Julia Price, Mr. P. C. Pursel.

Persons calling for these letters will please say they were advertised Dec. 15, 1891. One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

A. B. CATHCART, P. M.

SHERMAN LOOMING UP.

SOME WESTERN MEN WHO FAVOR HIS NOMINATION.

A Belief That His Candidacy Would Bring Some Doubtful States into the Republican Fold—He Thinks Silver Will be a Prominent Issue in 1892.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 14.—Senator Sherman is looming up as a candidate for the Presidential nomination at Minneapolis next June. The belief is growing among Western Republican leaders that in the candidacy of Senator Sherman the Germans in Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and other Western States would come to his support and return to the Republican party and insure the so called doubtful States in the west to the Republicans.

Mr. Sherman believes the silver issue will be a prominent feature in the next campaign, and he is going to do all he can to make it so. Mr. Sherman and other Republican members of the Finance Committee intend to give the bills relating to this subject early consideration, and the intention is to promptly report them back to the Senate for consideration—adversely, of course—but they will be placed on the calendar at the earliest possible date, and the silver issue will be forced at once to the front, and Mr. Sherman wants to make the issue as prominent as he can.

BLAINE TOLD JONES SO.

The Ex-Chairman Says the Maine Man Will Not be a Candidate.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.—"Mr. Blaine told me he would not be a candidate for the presidency," said B. F. Jones to a Despatch reporter. Mr. Jones was Chairman of the National Republican Committee in 1884, when Mr. Blaine was defeated for the Presidency by Grover Cleveland. Secretary Blaine and B. F. Jones have for years been warm personal friends. They enjoy each other's confidence, and each holds the other in highest esteem.

"It was some time ago that Mr. Blaine assured me he would not again be a candidate for the presidency," Mr. Jones went on, "but I know now of no reason for changing his mind."

"You have always stood close to Mr. Blaine, have you not?"

"Yes, we have always been warm friends. I have not seen Mr. Blaine since his sickness. I did not visit Bar Harbor last season, and therefore I am not as well prepared to talk for Mr. Blaine as I might otherwise have been."

"You would likely know if Mr. Blaine intended being a candidate, would you not?"

"I would probably have heard of it in some way."

BISHOP GILMOUR'S SUCCESSOR.

Chancellor Horstmann, of Philadelphia, Made Bishop of Cleveland.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—Official notice has been received at the cathedral here from Rome of the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Horstmann, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, as Bishop of Cleveland, to succeed the late Bishop Gilmour.

Dr. Horstmann was ordained June 10, 1865, after completing his education at Rome. He was eminently successful as a professor in St. Charles Seminary, afterwards as pastor of St. Mary's, and since the fall of 1885 as chancellor.

He is President of the Catholic Historical Society of America, Chaplain of the Catholic Club of Philadelphia, and President of the Tabernacle Society. He celebrated his silver jubilee in June, 1890, when he received many beautiful gifts.

THE LASAK WILL CASE SETTLED.

Mrs. Schermerhorn and Mrs. Ives to Get, It Is Said, $200,000 Each.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 15.—The contest over the will of Frederick W. Lasak, of Dobbs Ferry, who left $2,000,000 by will to his heirs, has been amicably settled. The attorneys met, and agreed to distribute the estate so that the portions of Mrs. Antoinette Schermerhorn and Mrs. Margaret S. Ives, daughters of the testator, and the contestants should be increased to an amount approximately equal to what they would have received had their father died intestate. The settlement, it is said, will give Mrs. Schermerhorn and Mrs. Ives $200,000 each.

Shot at a Priest.

HOLIDAYSBUG, Pa., Dec. 14.—Father Heine, of St. Michael's Church, was aroused by a noise in his house yesterday morning, and on opening his chamber door he saw two men in the hall, one of whom fired on him but missed him. They then fled.

Pittsburg Has Not the Grip.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.—Pittsburg and Allegheny physicians say there have been very few cases of grip in the two cities thus far this winter. No deaths from it have been reported.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

PRODUCE MARKET.

BUTTER—Market dull—Creamery, Eastern fancy, 29@30c.; Western, 24@28c.; Elgin, 30c.; imitation, 18@22c. Dairy—Eastern half-firkin tubs 26@27c.; Eastern Welsh tubs, 23@25c. Factory—Fresh, 15½c.

CHEESE—Market firm—Factory—New York cheddar, 11all½c. Creamery, 10@11½c. New York part skims 8½c.; full skims, 2½@3½c.

EGGS—Market firm—Fresh Eastern, firsts, 25@27c.; Western, firsts, 25@27c.

FEED—Market steady. Spring bran, 75@80c.; winter, 75@80c; 60lb feed, $1.15@1.20; 80lb, 87½@92½c.; middlings, $1.10@1.20; sharps, $1.30@1.32½c.; cracked corn, $1.20; corn meal, coarse and sifted, 75@80c.; fine, $1.25@1.35; rye feed, $1.00.

HAY—Market steady. Choice timothy, 80@85c.; No. 1, 75c. No. 2 70c.; shipping, 60@65c.; clover mixed, 60@65c.; clover, 60@65c.

STRAW—Long rye, 65@70c.; short rye, 50@55c.; wheat, 40@50c.; oat, 40@45c.

RYE FLOUR—Quiet at $5.15@5.40. Fancy up to $5.50.

Flour.	Spring.	Winter.
No grade bbls. or sacks	$2 60a$2 90	$2 90a$3 15
Fine, bbls. or sacks	2 85a 3 25	3 20a 3 60
Superfine	3 25a 3 70	3 50a 3 85
Extra No. 2	3 60a 3 90	3 60a 3 90
Extra No. 1	3 95a 4 50	3 90a 4 35
Patents	4 85a 5 40	4 75a 5 25
City Mills—patents	....	5 40a 5 60
West India—shipping	....	5 10a 5 45

The State's Schools.

POINTS OF SUPERINTENDENT WALLER'S ANNUAL REPORT ABOUT THEM.

Dr. Waller, superintendent of public instruction, says in his annual report that the total number of pupils in the public schools of the state is 969,506, an increase of 4,062. There are 22,884 schools, an increase of 519, and the state has 24,925 teachers, an increase of 432. The increase in the salaries of male teachers average 73 cents per month; female teachers, 36 cents.

Dr. Waller recommends a longer school term which he thinks the increased state appropriation warrants; closer supervision of schools; organization of directors; the better ventilation of school buildings; a change in the basis of distributing state aid, so that the less favored districts may have good schools; the introduction of manual training; free text books and compulsory education.

During the year the total expenditure, including that upon buildings, was $13,518,708.98, an increase of $690,886 88. The estimated value of school property is $35,837,894 84.

The increase in the number of graded schools is noted, and the tendency to consolidation in the rural districts is discussed. The superintendent deplores the failure of the Legislature to pass the bill for the closer supervision of the schools, and says that our system at present is far from perfect. He recommends the organization of the county school directors' associations as tending to promote economy and to greatly increase the efficiency of the schools.

The ventilation of school buildings is referred to and Dr. Waller hints that if mines and factories can be inspected to secure perfect ventilation he should think the same could be done in the public schools. The appropriation of $5,000,000 per annum for the schools is mentioned as affording an opportunity for long desired improvements. The changing of the minimum school term from six to nine months is recommended. Attention is called to the great revival of interest in the county institutes and to the excellent condition of the state normal schools.

The establishment of school libraries is recommended. Dr. Waller insists that manual training should find a place in the schools of Pennsylvania. Speaking of the basis of the distribution of aid, he says:

"If any feels that even the increase in the appropriation does not enable them to lengthen the term and at the same time to improve the schools in other respects as they desire, they will do well to consider the propriety of securing a change in the basis of the distribution of the appropriation. The appropriation is made to secure the well-being of the state, and to meet the claim that every child has upon her to be fitted for citizenship. As long as majorities rule, the common welfare will depend upon the instruction and training of the coming rulers. All parts of the state are not equally able to educate the children. The present basis yields so much in the wealthy and populous districts that the tax rate is often but two mills, while in the sparsely settled districts, where schools must be kept open for few children widely scattered, the state aid is so small that even with the maximum tax rate of thirteen mills it is difficult to maintain the schools six months. These children upon every principle underlying public instruction, are entitled to as good teachers, and as long a term as are those in the cities. The basis should therefore be so modified as to enable the less favored districts to have good schools, at least when they collect the highest tax permitted by law.

"More liberal provision may be made by appropriating to each district laying a tax of at least ten mills for school purposes, a fixed sum, $100 for instance, for each teacher employed for not less than six months, at not less than $25 per month, and distributing the balance upon the present basis. Thus Cameron county having 1,500 pupils and sixty-three teachers with a cost per pupil per month of $1.20 an average term of six and a quarter months and an average rate of eleven mills for running expenses and five for building purposes, and an aggregate appropriation for next year of about $5,353 would upon the basis suggested, receieve $7,384 which with their present tax rate and rate of expenditure, would support the schools for eight months. While this is not too liberal to the sparsely settled, it works no hardship to the populous district.

"Allegheny county having 42,500 pupils, 1,600 teachers, the cost per month per pupil is $1.08; 12 cents less than in Cameron, an average term of nine and seven tenths months, an average tax rate of three and ninety one hundredths mills for running expenses, and two and twenty nine hundredths mills for building purposes, and an appropriation aggregating for next year about $290,000 would, upon the basis suggested, receive $302,000. If it be objected that this basis will constitute a temptation to employ more teachers than are realy needed, it may be replied that a sufficient check will be found in that tax that would have to be laid to pay salaries of $25 or more.

"The bane of our system is the inadequate support of good teachers. While in a few cities and large towns the compensation is such as to enable them to retain some good teachers, the fact is that in general good teachers cannot make a living in the schools, and, therefore, in the course of time seek it elsewhere. Three steps toward a better support of good teachers are easier now than ever before. Lengthening the term in the short term districts, raising the salaries and restricting by statute the number of provisional certificates.

Free text books, Dr. Waller says, are the most satisfactory solution of the problem of uniformity of text books. They save money, enable teachers to classify pupils readily, facilitate progress and are a logical accompaniment of free schools.

Dr. Waller takes issue with the governor for vetoing the compulsory educational bill. He says, "By establishing a great system of schools and by supporting them at an anual outlay of about $13,000,000, Pennsylvania has substantially gone much farther than to say that every child may be educated. Her course is justifiable only if every child must be educated. The conclusion is logically inevitable and it has been found to be practically inevitale in those states at home and abroad that are most populous, intelligent and influential. Ohio requires attendance between the ages of 8 and 16 years. Illinois is said to have gathered 20,000 into her schools last year, 10,000 in Chicago alone by her compulsory law. Kansas has had a compulsory law in force for the last ten years. Massachusetts has for more than twenty years compelled attendance. Every New England state has a compulsory law. Germany boasts a law that has not allowed any in Berlin to escape, a city that has astonished Europe by its recent growth in power and wealth. The census in 1890 supplies important facts bearing upon this subject.

"While the population of Pennsylvania has increased within the decade about 23 per cent., and the population of the cities has increased nearly 43 per cent., the increase in attendance in the public schools is but 11 per cent. The dangerous disturbance arising from rapid immigration, and from the crowding of vast numbers of the disorderly and the illiterate into our cities make it one of the most important duties resting upon our citizens to have a statute enacted, meeting as far as possible the difficulties always attending compulsory attendance, but providing that every child in Pennsylvania between 8 and 15 years of age must be sent to school, or have instruction and training that shall be the equivalent of that given in the public schools."

He recommends that the standard of the schools be brought up to meet that of the academy, which has long since been supplanted by the public schools and in which the pupil is prepared for college.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14th, 1891.

Speaker Crisp may have made some promises before his election as Speaker—few men ever occupied the position who had not done so in their canvass for votes, he has made few if any, promises since his election. He lets the other fellows do the talking while he does double duty as a thinker; he knows that it will be impossible to so arrange the committee assignments that all the democratic members of the House will be pleased, and, if those who enjoy his confidence may be relied upon, he will devote himself principally to the task of making an equitable distribution of the chairmanships and places upon the important committees between the various sections of the country; believing that no Representative will allow his personal disappointment to make him angry when he sees that his section is fully represented. It is now almost certain that the lists of committees will not be announced until after the Christmas recess, and it is expected that Speaker Crisp will, after all the members have been given a chance to be heard, retire to his home in Georgia, or to some other place, where he can devote his time during the recess to making up the committees.

All sorts of gossip about the chairmanships and the make-up of the important committees may be heard, but about the only thing that everybody seems to be agreed upon is that the Ways and Means committee, which deals with tariff matters, will be dominated by Northern and Western members, whoever its chairman may be. The general opinion is that Mr. Mills can have the chairmanship of this committee if he wishes it, but some of his close friend say that he will not take the place, several reasons being given why he will not; one of them being that if there is an extra session of the Texas Legislature in the Spring he will be a candidate for the unexpired term in the Senate of ex Senator Reagan—now temporarily being filled by Senator Chilton—and that if he is elected he will at once resign his seat in the House. But there are those who think that that is just the reason why he should take the chairmanship. They argue that for Mr. Crisp to tender this important place to Mr. Mills and for him to accept it would show that no bad blood was left by the hot fight for the nomination, and that the committee could be so made up that the next democrat on the committee could from the first take up the hard work of the chairmar and that in the event of the election of Mr. Mills to the Senate this gentleman might be made chairman.

Resolutions providing for an investigation of the Pension Office will shortly be offered in the House by Representatives Cooper, of Indiana, and Enloe, of Tennessee. The latter gentleman says that his resolution will be for an investigation of the methods used and is intended to save some of the tax payers money that now goes through leaks which he thinks are in the machine. Mr. Cooper is particularly interested in going for General Raum, he being of the opinion that the investigation by the last Congress was not as impartial as it might have been. Both resolutions will not be adopted, but the probabilities favor the adoption of a resolution that will be acceptable to both gentlemen.

Gen. Forney, of Alabama, who was the senior democratic member of the House Committee on Appropriations in the last Congress, has, on account of his age and somewnat failing health declined the chairmanship of that committee, which was tendered him by Speaker Crisp. It is believed here that Representative Holman, of Indiana will, in the interest of general retrenchment in appropriations, be put at the head of that committee.

Speaker Crisp pleased those members who wished to get the cash for their mileage before Christmas by announcing at the short session of the House held on Saturday, previous to the adjournment until Wednesday, the membership of Committee on Accounts and that on mileage, as follows: Accounts—Rusk (Md.), Cooper (Ind.), Dickerson, (Ky.) Moses, (S. C.), Seerley, (Iowa), Pearson, (Ohio,) Quackenbush, (N. Y.), Griswold, (Pa.) and Cutting, (Cal.) Mileage — Castle (Minn.), Grawford, (N. C.), Kendall, (Ky.), Caldwell (Ohio) and Flick (Iowa).

Representative Culbertson, of Texas, one of the best fitted men in public life for the position, has decided to accept the democratic vacancy on the Interstate Commerce Commission, which Mr. Harrison tendered to him some time ago. His nomination will go to the Senate at once, and he will forward his resignation of his seat in the House to the Governor of Texas.

It was rumored that some of the republican Senators proposed taking steps to have the Senate declare Senator Hill's seat vacant, because of his not having appeared to be sworn in and of his retaining the office of Governor of New York, but the most diligent inquiry failed to confirm the story.

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A highly interesting letter, written by the late Henry W. Grady, in 1887, to his boyhood friend, Professor William Henry Peck, the author of "The Stonecutter of Lisbon," is printed on the editorial page. The letter will be read with delight by many admirers of the great Journalist and orator, as it contains, in the frank disclosure of intimate friendship, some details of the early life of Mr. Grady, which have never before been published.

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TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 64.

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SECTION I. Be it ordained and enacted by the Town Council of the Town of Bloomsburg, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same, that permission be and it hereby is granted to "The American Telegraph and Telephone Company of Pennsylvania" its successors and assigns to erect, operate and maintain lines of telegraph and telephone including the necessary poles, wires and fixtures upon, along and over Second or Main streets from the town limits on the West to an alley near Leonard street, thence to the alley south of Second or Main Street, thence to the alley between Market and Centre streets, thence by said alley to Sixth street, thence to East street, thence to Seventh street, thence to the Berwick road, thence to the town limits on the east, with the privilege of using such other streets or alleys as may be necessary for said company to connect said lines with its office and subscribers in said town.

SECTION II. That the poles shall be reasonably straight and with the fixtures so to be erected shall be put up in a safe and substantial manner and shall be as neat in appearance as may be and shall be located under the supervision of the the street committee or the street commissioner under their direction in such a manner as not to obstruct said streets and alleys in their ordinary and customary use and shall be erected and maintained at the cost and charge of said Company.

SECTION III. That all expenses and charges attendant upon the passage of this ordinance shall be paid by the said company.

SECTION IV. The privileges herein granted are expressly made subject to any ordinance heretofore or hereafter passed regulating the erection, painting, repair or removal of telegraph or telephone poles in or from the streets and alleys of the town.

SECTION V. Provides that the said town may at its election have the free and uninterrupted use of one cross arm upon each or all of said poles of said pole line or lines for the erection or stringing of wires for its own purposes free of charge.

SECTION VI. This ordinance shall not go into effect until the proper officers of said American Telegraph and Telephone Company shall have certified to this council its acceptance.

Passed at a meeting of the Town Council held Nov. 30, 1891.

Approved by P. S. HARMAN, President of the Town Council, Nov. 30, 1891.

Attest: W. B. CUMMINGS, Secretary.

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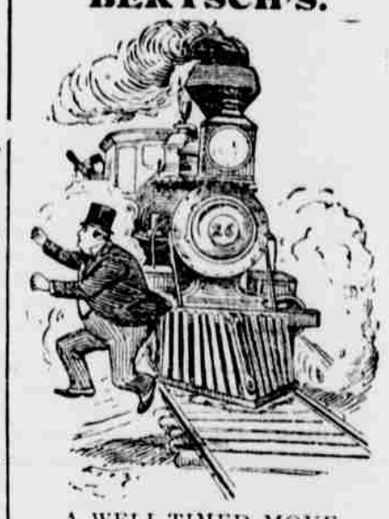

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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Report of viewers against a road in Catawissa township near Moses Hower's confirmed nisi.

Report of sale in estate of Isaac Shoemaker confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers in favor of a bridge in Orange near M. B. Patterson's, confirmed nisi.

Report of viewers of a road in Sugarloaf, near Central, confirmed nisi.

Estate of Joseph Hess, correction ordered in auditor's report.

Commonwealth vs. Jos. Hiskey, larceny. true bill.

Commonwealth vs. J. V. Stackhouse et. al. assault and battery, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. G. W. Masteller, assault and battery, continued.

Estate of Christian Wolf, on petition money paid into court and ordered to be deposited in Farmers Bank.

Commonwealth vs. D. A. Michael, embezzlement, not guilty, prosecutor to pay costs.

Samantha Stine vs. C. W. Stine, subpoena in divorce awarded.

Commonwealth vs. Chas. Hill, larceny, true bill.

Commonwealth vs, John Ball, larceny, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Edward Scout, larceny, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Candas Stackhouse, et. al. not a true bill, and John Deus, prosecutor to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Candas Stackhouse, et al. not a true bill, prosector Edith Deus, to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs, Jos. Padden, nol. pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. H. J. Kelley, assault and battery, not a true bill, county to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Harry Gingher, fornication and bastardy, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John R. Brennan, assault, not a true bill, Mary McHale to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Monroe Ikeler, nol. pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Hill, nol. pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. John Ball, nol. pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. E. C. Scout, nol. pros allowed.

Commonwealth vs. John McNabb, gambling, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Holland assault and battery, true bill.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Holland, assault and battery, John McNabb, prosecutor to pay costs.

Commonwealth vs. Harry Gingher, defendant pleads guilty, usual sentence.

Commonwealth vs. Chas. Holland, continued.

Commonwealth vs. Clark Hunter, continued.

The following road reports were confirmed absolute: Sugarloaf near Central; Briarcreek near Adam Sult's; Franklin near Andrew Loreman's; Montour near I. W. Willits; Fishing creek near Russel Force's; Benton near Ira Hess.

Robert Penman appointed guardian of David and Minnie Penman.

Commonwealth vs. Joseph Hiskey, case tried, verdict, guilty on second count.

Commonwealth vs. John Downing, case tried, verdict, not guilty, prosecutor and defendant each pay half the costs.

Commonwealth vs. Bloom Town Council,. Nuisance, not repairing roads, true bill.

Report of grand jury approving county bridge in Briarcreek near J. M. Fairchild's.

Estate of W. Hippensteel, final confirmation of auditors report stricken off to correct collateral inheritance tax.

Petition of citizens to divide East Bloomsburg into two election districts, filed.

Petition of Citizens to divide West Bloomsburg into two election districts, filed.

G. B. Reimensnyder vs. Sarah A. Petrikin. Judgment by consent for $440, with leave to pay money into court, to be deposited in Farmers National Bank, to abide result of feigned issue.

Commonwealth vs. James Stackhouse, nol. pros allowed.

Sheriff Casey acknowledged deed in open court to J. P. Fritz for property of W. J. Hess in Sugurloaf, for $488

Commonwealth vs. Clark Hunter. case tried, court instructed jury to find verdict of not guilty, for want of jurisdiction, and to dispose of cost. verdict not guilty, defendant to pay costs.

G. B. Reimensnyder admin., vs. E. K. Creveling admin., case tried, verdict for plaintiff.

J. A. Jackson vs. Eli Stoetzel, jury called, verdict for defendant.

Report of grand jury filed on Thursday, and grand jury discharged.

Harman Young appointed guardian of Charles E. Lutz.

Commonwealth vs. John McNabb, recognizance forfeited to be respited on appearance of defendant at next court.

Commonwealth vs. Patrick Dugan, case tried, verdict guilty, Defendant sentenced to pay costs, fine of $25.

Sale of real estate ordered in estate of Aaron Masteller.

Now, Dec 10, 1891. It is ordered and directed that five hundred sober, intelligent and judicious persons be selected with due diligence alternately from the whole of the qualified electors of the county of Columbia, to serve as jurors in the several courts of the county for the year 1892, and that their names be placed in the jury wheel according to law. By the Court.

Chas. Hughes appointed guardian of William H Leiby.

Lydia R. Hartman appointed guardian of Sarah C. Lloyd F., Daniel H. Emanuel W., Stella V. and W. A. Hartman.

M. M. McReynolds, P. H. Fisher and Moses Schlicher appointed viewers of a road in Main near James Keifer's.

Commonwealth vs. J. R. Bibby, recognizance forfeited to be respited at next session on appearance of defendant.

Commonwealth vs G. W. Hunter, recognizance forfeited to be respited at next sessions on appearance of defendant,

Commonwealth vs. D. W. Williams and Chas. Richart, recognizance forfeited to be respited on appearance of defendant at next sessions.

Joseph Hiskey sentenced to pay costs of prosecution, fine of $5, and imprisonment in county jail for three months.

Auditor's report in estate of Jacob Yeager confirmed nisi.

On petition, order of court modified in estate of Elizabeth A. Winders.

Auditor's report in estate of Samuel Freas confirmed nisi.

Auditor's report in estate of Rebecca Freas confirmed nisi.

Estate of Rebecca E. Girton, order of sale continued.

Estate of Mary A. Brittain, L. E. Waller continued as auditor.

Estate of Robert Robbins, L. E. Waller continued as auditor.

R. R. Little continued as auditor in estate of Emmor Dietrich.

Malinda Lineberg vs. Bert Lineberg Subpoena in divorce, C. C. Evans appointed commissioner to take testimony.

Order of sale continued in estate of Elizabeth Hawk.

Estate of Michael confer, rule on heirs to accept or refuse real estate at valuation.

Commissioners continued on division of Conyngham into three election districts.

Geo. E. Elwell continued as auditor in estate of Mary Snyder.

Jesse Summers vs. L. A. Summers, alias subpoena awarded, and publication ordered.

W. G. Gettins vs. Gladys Guttins, alias subpoena awarded and publication ordered.

Geo. E. Elwell continued as auditor in estate of D. W. Walter.

J. G. Freeze appointed auditor in estate of Christian Wolf.

J. B. Casey appointed trustee to sell real estate of Jacob Reese deceased.

Prudence Girton vs. D. K. Girton, on motion W. Christman appointed commissioner to take testimony.

Order to viewers of a county bridge in Sugarloaf continued to next term.

Order to viewers to vacate public road in Benton near H. Everett's continued to next term.

A. L. Fritz appointed auditor in estate of Susan A. Walter.

Fred Ikeler continued as trustee to sell real estate of Elizabeth Hawk.

H. A. M'Killip appointed auditor in estate of Reuben H. Davis.

C. E. Geyer appointed auditor in estate of Jeremiah Leiby.

J. M. Clark appointed auditor in estate of Elizabeth Gearhart.

H. A. M'Killip appointed auditor in estate of Isaac Ervin.

Estate of William Beck, rule on heirs to accept or refuse real estate at valuation.

L. S. Wintersteen continued as auditor in estate of H. G. Creveling

Tuesday Dec 15, John W. Hoffman vs. B & S. R. R. Co. on trial.

Happy and content is a home with "The Rochester; a lamp with the light of the morning. Catalogues, write Rochester Lamp Co., New York.

How Often.

We see some young man who has squandered his money and ruined his health by excesses, and before 30 years of age is an all broken down and played out man! In all such cases I prescribe naturs's tonic and nervine, Sulphur Bitters. They supply food for the brain. strengthen the nerves, and are successful in nine cases out of ten.—*Old Physician.* 12-11-2t.

DIED.—At Nanticoke, Pa., Dec. 4, 1891, of typhoid fever, Mrs. Cora Drumm, aged 25 years. 10 mo and 25 days. Interment at Mifflinville cemetery.

Christmas and New Year Excursions on the Pennsylvania Railroad'

In pursuance of the custom long since established, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets between all stations on its lines for the Christmas and New Year holidays at a rate of two cents per mile. These tickets will be sold December 23rd, 1891, to January 1st, 1892, inclusive, valid for return until January 4th, 1892, inclusive.

A VALUABLE DISCOVERY } Mr A. B Davis of Davis Bros, at Arcola, Miss., is a great believer in the virtue of S. S. S. He writes, that he was afflicted with one of the worst cases of blood poison known to the human race, and after going through quite a long treatment, finally resorted to S. S. S., and he is proud to say that he has been entirely cured, and the disease thoroughly eradicated from his system. He sends thanks to the company for their valuable discovery, and that it is a God-send to the world. For contagious blood poision S. S. S. is truly a specific Very few cases have ever resisted its curative properties, and no one suffering from this disease or other blood poison should neglect to give it a fair trial. We will mail a special treatment on contagious blood poison to all who apply for it free.
SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

ARABIAN PRAYER.

"O Lord, be kind to the sick and poor; thou hast done enough for the rich and healthy, and the happy do not need thee."

The healthy do not need Cactus Blood Cure, but those who are suffering from rheumatism, gout, boils, carbuncles, ulcers, and the thousand ills of scrofula and specific disease, need the kindness of Providence to help them bear their troubles, and Cactus Blood Cure to cure their diseases.
Sold by
G. A. McKelvy, Druggist, Bloomsburg Pa.

NEW BOOKS.

"House and Hearth," a series of entertaining articles by Harriet, Prescott Spofford, neatly bound in cloth.

"Makers of America, Cotton Mather, the Puritan Priest," by Barrett Wendell, cloth, with portrait. "Makers of America. John Winthrop First Governor of the Massachusetts colony." by Joseph Hopkins Twichell, with portrait.

"A Rose of a Hundred Leaves. A Love Story," by Amelia E. Barr.

These books are all published by Dodd, Mead & Co. of New York, and are for sale by W. H. Brooke & Co. from whom can be obtained any of the publications of that house.

Guaranteed Cure.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with a Cough, Cold or any Lung, Throat or Chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. It never disappoints. Trial bottles free at C. A. Kleim's Drug Store Large size 50c. and $1.00.

When we made our Christmas Announcement we promised to show you new goods and so far have kept the promse. We have this opinion from all visitors. We can not in this article describe what we have. We invite you to come and see our goods, they speak for themselves.

We think we can please the most fastidious. In one respect we are sure to please and that is *freshness.* Shop-keepers here seek retirement, whether you buy or receive a present that has been purchased here you can feel satisfied in knowing that it will not be recognized by your friends as an acquaintance of by-gone years.

W. H. BROOKE & CO.,

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Common Soap

Rots Clothes and Chaps Hands.

IVORY SOAP

DOES NOT.

To Farmers.

Remember this is the season for Fodder cutters and crushers, Corn shellers, Wood saws and Bob-sleds. Call and see or write us for prices on either of the above.
WHITE & CONNER, Orangeville, Pa.
11-27-8t.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Fashionable Livery.

The well known horseman has opened a fashionable livery in connection with his boarding stable at the Exchange Hotel Stables, where fine turnouts can be obtained, single or double. He has well broken and safe saddle and driving horses for ladies, all at reasonable rates. Orders left at the Exchange Hotel will receive prompt attention. Drivers furnished when desired.
tf W. A. HARTZELL, Proprietor.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Fresh oysters daily at Housel's.

Call on Kemp for cabinets and crayons.

Highest cash prices paid for Hides and tallow at A. Solleder's Leather store. 12-11-2m.

Family bibles, teachers' bibles at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Autograph albums, and scrap books at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Shell oysters always on hand at Housel's.

Families and parties supplied with fresh oystres at Housel's.

Diaries for 1892 at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Remember Kemp makes 14 cabinets, for $1.00.

Our Holiday stock is now open. Give us a call before you buy.
J. H. Mercer.

Don't fail to get one of G. W. Bertsch's Fur Caps. He is closing them out *at cost.* 12-11-2t

Don't miss the bargains in Fur Caps selling *at cost* at Bertschs'. 12-11-2t

Fish of all kinds, three (3) times a week at Housel's.

Closing them out at cost. Fur Caps at G. W. Bertschs'. 12-11-2t.

A Good Fur Cap at *cost* can be had at G. W. Bertsch's. 12-11-2t.

Christmas Cards & Booklets at Mercer's Drug & Book store.

Before you buy your Christmas Present call and examine our stock, J. H. Mercer.

Now is your chance to get a Fur Cap cheap at G. W. Bertsch's. Closing them out at cost. 12-11-2t.

It makes a good Christmas Present, a Fur Cap from G. W. Bertsch's, at cost. See them. 12-11-2t.

Call on Blue & Heddens and order your meals. Cooked to order at any time. 2t.

Muffs, muffs, Fur capes, Fur capes full lines at Clark & Son.

It will pay you to see our lines of goods suitable for Christmas gifts. Clark & Son.

Books! Books! Books! A large line of Juveniles, Booklets and Books by the set at lowest prices, at Mercer's Drug & Book store.

Lamps! Lamps! Lamps! We have the largest assortment of stand lamps ever shown in Bloomsburg, also Hanging and Hall lamps, cheap for cash at J. H. Mercer's Drug and Book store.

Lap Tablets, Duplicate Mirrors, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Toilet sets, Wisp Brooms and many other presents too numerous to mention, at J. H. Mercer's Drug & Book store.

I. W. HARTMAN & SONS' CHRISTMAS CORNER.

Good goods advertise themselves and bring good customers. No one in Columbia county will be able to appreciate our display of

CHRISTMAS GOODS,

without calling to see and examine for themselves. We are ready this and next week to supply every person with good and fine

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

"Take half a day off and look our stock over."

12 clerks to show you around, to tie up, to pack goods, to deliver, to take the *cash.* Cannot name the thousands of articles from 5c to $25.00. Don't put off until a day or two before Christmas to make your selection, as then the crowd will be great and perhaps the article you wish be taken. 76 Books sold to one teacher this week. "Who will be the next." "Have you seen our Piano Lamp," to stand in the centre of the room, on the floor; it is a beauty for $6.50.

I. W. HARTMAN & SONS.

P. S. We consider our selection this season one of rare value and beauty, and wish in this last invitation to give a full opportunity to every one to examine the stock. Open evenings this week as the trade requires, next week until 10 o'clock.

I. W. H, & SONS.

Large lines of black and colored dress goods at Clark & Son's.

If you order broiled oysters at the White House Restaurant once, you will be sure to repeat it. 2t.

Sleighing parties can get oysters of Housel cheaper than elsewhere.

If you want handkerchiefs of any kind it will pay you to call at Clark & Son's.

Remember Clark & Son are closing out all their Ladies' and children's coats about cost. Now is your time for bargains.

A fine assortment of paintings, pastels and photogravures at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Glasses fitted free of charge at J. G. Wells.' All work guaranteed.

Fine umbrellas for Ladies and gents for Christmas at Clark & Son. We still sell the 1.29 and 1.49 gloria silk goods.

A large stock of over coats for men, boys and children at D. Lowenberg's.

Hymnals for Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Episcopal churches at W. H. Brooke & Co.

Chenille table covers, Napkins, towels, table linens, counterpanes &c. See our 2yd. wide full black table linen at 85c. extra heavy. See our 25, 30, and 50c all white towels. Clark & Son.

Kid gloves, new lines just in. New line of Jewelry, solid gold rings at 25, 50, 65 and up, necklaces, stick pins, Mocha kid gloves and silk mittens etc. for Christmas gifts at Clark & Son's.

Certainly, it is a fact that you can get oysters in any style, every day and any time of day, at Blue & Heddens' White House Restaurant. 2t.

Suits for men, suits for boys, and pretty little suits for children at D. Lowenberg's.

Clark & Son will offer each day from now till Christmas, special lines of dress goods at special low prices for each day; the price will be for that day only; every day a different line.

Sharpless & Moyer, the new firm are making stoves, stove repairs and castings of all kinds—Light soft castings a specialty. 11-6-8t.

The lunch counter at the White House Restaurant is well stocked at all times. Oyster pies and Mince pies are among the specialties. Try them.

Do you want lamps, pictures, pastels, books, booklets, books for children, See our 24c book for children. Dickens' works 30c vol, George Elliot's works $1.86 complete, etc. Pocket books, grip bags, china. Plush goods and all kinds of fancy goods at Clark & Son's.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Christopher Custer, late of Hemlock twp., dec'd,

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Christopher Custer, late of Hemlock twp., Col. Co., Pa., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
12-18-6w. WILLIAM C. CUSTER.
Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Celestia Rhoads, late of Mifflin township, deceased,

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Celestia Rhodes, late of Mifflin township, Col. Co., Pa., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
WM. H. SNYDER, Atty. JOHN R. RHOADS, Administrator.
12-18-6w.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Christian Wolf deceased,

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned appointed an auditor to distribute the fund in Court belonging to the said estate, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will attend at his office in Bloomsburg on Saturday, January 9th, 1892, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day: And all persons having claims upon said fund are requested to appear before said auditor at said time and place, or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.
JOHN G. FREEZE.
Dec. 9, 1891. Auditor.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF—

THE FARMERS' NATIONAL BANK

AT BLOOMSBURG, IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 2, 1891.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 74,603.77
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Due from approved reserve agents	14,309.54
Due from other National Banks	1,525.39
Due from State Banks and bankers	280.59
Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures	3,892.50
Current expenses and taxes paid	2,148.09
Premiums on U. S. Bonds,	2,734.38
Checks and other cash items	505.26
Bills of other banks	1,000.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	67.94
Specie	3,723.30
Legal-tender notes	3,330.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	562.50
Total	$121,182.96

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$50,000.00
Undivided profits	2,898.63
National Bank notes outstanding	11,250.00
Individual deposits subject to check	54,997.24
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,370.38
Due to State Banks and bankers	666.11
Total	$121,182.36

STATE OF PENNSYLANIA, } ss.
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA, }

I, Frank Ikeler, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRANK IKELER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of Dec., 1891.

J. C. RUTTER JR., Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. A. KLEIM.
CHARLES W. RUNYON. } Directors.
WM. S. MOYER.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF—

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BLOOMSBURG,

AT BLOOMSBURG, IN THE STATE OF PENNA., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 2ND, 1891.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 193,487.71
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
U. S. Bonds on hand	10,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	105,955.00
Due from approved reserve agents	33,254.81
Due from other National Banks	4,042.19
Current expenses and taxes paid	106.12
Checks and other cash items	110.98
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	157.25
Specie	7,710.00
Legal-tender notes	8,164.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5 per cent. of circulation)	2,250.00
Total	415,218.07

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	75,000.00
Undivided profits,	11,778.89
National bank notes outstanding	45,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	224,692.77
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,109.15
Due to other National Banks	6,392 06
Due to State Banks and bankers	435.39
Total	$415,218.07

STATE OF PENNA., COUNTY OF COLUMBIA, ss.

I, J. P. Tustin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly affirm that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. P. TUSTIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and affirmed to before me this 14th day of Dec., 1891.

W. D. BECKLEY, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
I. W. MCKELVY.
MYRON I. LOW
C. R. BUCKALEW.
E. W. M. LOW. } Directors.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Telegraphic Notes of Interest Briefly Told.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

Small but Nutritious—The News of the World From Pole to Pole Carefully Culled and Boiled Down for Busy Readers Throughout the Country.

Thursday, Dec. 10.

The American Home at Waukesha, Mich., was burned Wednesday.

E. E. Meredith, (Dem.) was elected to Congress yesterday in the Eighth district of Virginia.

Fred Bohanan, aged eighty-six, and Miss Americus Legg, aged eighteen, were married at English, Ind., recently.

Tallon Hall, arrested at Memphis, Tenn., for arson at Booneville, Ky., confessed that he had killed ninety-nine men.

H. R. Jacobs' Cleveland (Ohio) Theatre was destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning, entailing a loss of about $75,000.

Darwin J. Meserole, who shot and killed Theodore Larbig in Brooklyn, N. Y., last June, was acquitted by a jury Wednesday night.

Five girls were killed in a candy factory fire in Louisville, Ky., Wednesday morning. Four firemen lost their lives in another fire a few hours earlier.

Joseph L. Tice, wife murderer, was sentenced by Justice Davy at Rochester, N. Y., on Wednesday, to be electrocuted at Auburn prison during the week beginning January 18.

Estes & Lauriat, publishers, of Boston, have sued General Butler for $50,000 for libel contained in an interview recently published in connection with the lawsuit over Butler's book.

A demand has been made on the stockholders of the Spring Garden Bank of Philadelphia for a 100 per cent. assessment on each share of the capital stock held by them at the time of the bank's failure.

Friday, Dec. 11.

Oliver Wilson Doud, the actor, died at Mount Hope Retreat, near Baltimore, Thursday of paresis. He was thirty-seven years old.

The wholesale drug firm of Kenneth Campbell & Co. of Montreal has suspended. Direct liabilities, $40,000; indirect liabilities, $30,000.

Thomas Walker was arrested at Leadville Thursday night, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Denver and Rio Grande express train.

The World's Fair managers of Pennsylvania have adopted a resolution by unanimous vote, recommending the closing of the gates on Sunday.

Kit Carson, jr., a son of the famous scout, killed his father-in-law and mother-in-law, near La Junta, Col., Thursday, and then made good his escape.

Eleven prisoners escaped from the Galesburg, Ill., jail Wednesday night, by cutting the window bars, and climbing out on ropes made of bed ticking.

An unknown man, a peddler, aged about twenty, was killed at Fishkill Landing Thursday morning by the Empire State express on the Hudson River road.

The United States District Court at Jacksonville, Fla., has declared the Florida Southern Railway insolvent, and the road is to be sold March 7, 1892, to satisfy claims.

A natural gas explosion caused a $20,000 fire at Frankton, Ind., Thursday. Half a square of business property was burned, including the office of the Frankton Leader.

George Starkey and John Brown have been convicted of the murder of ex-State Senatar D. B. Gillam at Edwardsville, Ill., and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary.

Maggie Mains, sixteen years of age, brought suit Thursday against the Newark, N. J. Passenger Railroad Co., for $50,000 damages for the loss of a limb by being thrown from a car.

F. Weinhagen, local agent of the Wisconsin Bridge and Iron Company at San Antonio, Tex., has been indicted on the charge of swindling that city out of $32,000 on bridge contracts.

The brewery of Christian Schmidt in Germantown, Pa., took fire at an early hour Thursday from the explosion of an ammonia pipe, and a part of the building was entirely gutted. Loss, $25,000.

The necks of the ten negroes who were sentenced to die in Laurens County, S. C., for the murder of Thornton Nance have been saved by the confession of Henry Suber, a negro, that he alone murdered Nance.

The National Bar Association on Thursday selected Washington as the permanent place for holding its annual sessions, and fixed the Wednesday after the second Monday in each year as the time. The following officers were elected: President, James C. Carter, New York; Vice Presidents, Sherman Hoar of Massachusetts; ex-Senator George F. Edmunds of Vermont; ex-Secretary T. F. Bayard of Delaware; C. M. Blanchard of Virginia; F. G. Brombery of Alabama; Senator John G. Carlisle of Kentucky; A. C. Harris of Indiana; G. A. Finkelesberg; J. R. Finlayson; Secretary J. M. Wright of Kentucky; Treasurer, Henry L. Davis, District of Columbia.

Saturday, Dec. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cowles celebrated their sixty-seventh wedding anniversary at Beloit, Wis., Wednesday.

Two masked men robbed the Wells Fargo Express agent of $100 Thursday night at Shingle Springs, Cal.

The express agent at Linwood, Ark., was robbed of packages containing $700 by a band of negroes Thursday night.

William J. Gibbons was found guilty Friday in his trial for having burned the Dupont buildings in Wilmington, Del.

A New York syndicate has decided to erect a system of beet sugar factories throughout Nebraska and neighboring States.

Advices from Pekin state that the Mongolian insurrection is at an end, and that forty-two insurgents have been beheaded.

The stock of the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Railroad Company has been increased from $6,000,000 to $12,000,000.

Francis Baker & Co., dry goods commission merchants in New York, made an assignment Friday. Liabilities about $250,000.

John L. Sullivan, at Los Angeles, has indignantly denied that he will try Dr. Keeley's bichloride of gold treatment for drunkenness.

A crowd of citizens gathered around Charles Stephens's saloon in Stilesville, Ind., late Thursday night and tore it down, pouring the liquor into the gutter.

The man who threw the dynamite bomb in the office of Russell Sage, the New York millionaire, has been identified as Henry L. Norcross, a Boston note broker.

Albert Hope, actor, playwright and poet, who was convicted of forging a draft, was sentenced at Memphis, Tenn., Friday, to four years in the penitentiary.

The Bristol, Conn., copper mines have started this week with a capital of $500,000. It is believed that the surface of the mines has just been reached, and that there is an immense bed of ore below. At present there are 100 miners at work in the forty, fifty and sixty fathom levels.

The Supreme Court of Texas has decided the Alien Land law unconstitutional. The law prevented any foreigner holding title to land in Texas, thus preventing loans being made upon real estate as security by any man or by any company with so much as one foreigner as a stockholder.

Gustaf Greenland, publisher of a Finnish newspaper in New York, is the defendant in a $100,000 libel suit at Ishpeming, Mich., brought by Sakris Silvola, the President, and nine others, composing the Alavaska Mining Company of Butte City, Mon. The plaintiffs were accused in the newspaper of having robbed Gustaf Wickals of valuable mining lands after making him a prisoner and threatening his life.

Monday, Dec. 14.

Denver is suffering from an epidemic of grip.

A child has been born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Raff, of Reading, Pa., that weighs but two pounds and fifteen ounces.

Judge Dewey, of the Supreme Court, Boston, has enjoined the Order of the Golden Fleece from doing further business.

The President has recognized Jose Manoel Cardozo De Olivira, as Consul of the United States of Brazil at New Orleans, for the State of Louisiana.

The Chicago police are looking for Burton Ford, aged ten, who was kidnapped from his father's home in Crystal township, Mich., last Friday.

Hugh Jones, foreman of the Hillman Vein Coal Company at Wilkesbarre, Pa., was fatally burned by a gas explosion Saturday, and a miner named James Kitterick killed.

E. H. Wells, the Alaskan explorer, has denied in substance the story published recently to the effect that Americans employed in the canneries of the Northern Packing Company are committing outrages upon the natives.

At a social dance at Boston, Pa., Saturday night, John Law, and his friend, J. W. McCracken quarrelled over who should dance with a young woman. They renewed the quarrel on the street, and Law crushed McCracken's skull with a cobble stone. Both men are well connected.

Hobart Cleland, a well-to-do farmer of Union Lake, Minn., was beaten until nearly dead by his brothers Andrew and Charles. The three brothers worked a farm together. They had differed over money matters and quarreled over the divsion of a large sum of money realized by the sale of hogs.

The Buenos Ayres papers report that the recent purchase by Baron Hirsch of 3,001 square leagues of land in the northern part of the Argentine Republic for 200,000 sovereigns makes him the possessor of a territory larger than is owned by any other man. It exceeds in area the kingdom of Montenegro.

Miss A. H. Bruce, Master Frank Packwood, Mrs. L. D. Hatch and her son were found murdered late Saturday evening in a house occupied by the Packwood family six miles south of New Smyrna, in Volusia county, Fla. The victims had gone there to spend the winter, having arrived a week ago, some of them from New York State. There is no clue to the murderers, but tramps are suspected.

Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Nashville, Tenn., reports 8,000 cases of the grip.

Governor-elect McKinley, of Ohio, is ill with the influenza at his home in Canton, that State.

The $18,000 worth of diamonds stolen from a train at Dayton, Ohio, a few days ago have been recovered.

Milwaukee wants the Democratic convention, and citizens have subscribed a fund of $100,000 toward securing it.

Convict Henry Hardy, who escaped from Clinton Prison, N. Y., in October and was recaptured, escaped again Monday morning.

Andrew Carnegie has purchased fifty-four acres of land at Duquesne, Pa., upon which an armor plate mill will be erected at once.

The South Carolina Legislature has passed the Anti Free Pass bill, fixing a fine of $500 for any public official who shall except a railroad pass.

Joel B. Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee Nation, died at Tahlequah, I. T., Monday morning. Mayes was born in the Cherokee reservation, Ga., October 20, 1833.

In the petition of Mary Nevins Blaine versus James G. Blaine, Jr., in the Circuit Court of South Dakota, the Court has allowed her $500 as alimony, pending suit.

A case of poisoning from using rancid lard for frying potatoes is reported in West Bay City, Mich. The family, named Flynn, consisting of nine persons, will recover.

The ravages of the "grip" are extending eastward, and reports of alarming death rates come from the Missouri valley. It has also reached Ohio and Indiana, there being over 2,000 cases in Indianapolis.

At Hanceville, Blount county, Ala., Julius Griffith, a merchant, and John McNelis, a farmer, quarreled over politics Monday. Griffith shot and killed McNelis. This makes four murders in Blount county within ten days.

A compromise is said to have been effected with the robbers who recently stopped a San Francisco train out of St. Louis, and robbed the express car of $100,000. The robbers are said to have returned the most of the booty, after being promised safe conduct out of the country.

Wednesday, Dec. 16.

Teckner & Frank, manufacturers of jersey goods, Philadelphia, have assigned.

Nathan Matthews, Jr., Dem., was re-elected Mayor of Boston on Tuesday by a plurality of 15,086.

The grip is prevailing throughout Connecticut, hundreds of cases being reported in several cities and large towns.

The Levison & Altha Company, of St. Louis, assigned Tuesday with liabilities and assets estimated at $40,000.

The Alleghany Valley Railroad was purchased by the Pennsylvania, Tuesday, for $3,000,000, the latter assuming the bonded indebtedness of $20,000,000.

The Hadfield Company, of Waukesha, Wis., dealers in cement, lime and stone, capital $2,000,000, with branches in Chicago and Milwaukee, has assigned.

Samuel K. Murdock, formerly an actor but for a number of years a teacher of elocution, died of pneumonia Tuesday in Philadelphia, aged seventy-five years.

At Tacoma, Wash., Tuesday, Edward Albertson was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for embezzling $20,000 in money and $1,000,000 in securities belonging to the Fidelity Trust Company.

Theodore B. Fiegler, an old sailor of the Monongahela, now living in the Soldiers' Home at Noroton, Conn., is to receive $30,000 as his share of prize money won by Admiral Farragut's squadron during the war.

Edmond S. Connor, the veteran actor and manager, died Tuesday at his home at Wortendyke, Bergen County, N. J., aged eighty-two years. He was manager for some years of the Arch Street Theatre in Philadelphia.

Sylvester Stay, a well known colored man of Rondout, N. Y., has brought suit for $5,000 against C. V. DuBois, manager of the Kingston opera house, for being refused admittance to seats for which he had tickets.

TO WATCH CONGRESS.

The National Executive Silver Committee to Meet Jan. 5.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The following call for a meeting of the National Executive Silver Committee, was issued yesterday, signed by A. J. Warner, chairman, and Lee Crandall, secretary:

A meeting of the National Executive Silver Committee will be held at the rooms of the Committe, No. 1202 Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, D. C., at 12 o'clock, noon, Tuesday, January 5, 1892.

In view of the probable action of Congress at its present session on the silver question, the meeting of the Committee will be an important one.

It is believed the disposition of a majority in both houses of Congress is favorable to the full remonetizing of silver.

On the other hand opposition to the present law has rapidly developed in the East, while antagonism to the free coinage of silver has grown more and more demonstrative.

A PETRIFIED WOMAN.

In the Grave Her Weight Increased Five Hundred Pounds.

MILLERSBURG, O., Dec. 14.—The village undertaker at Nashville, eleven miles west of here, was employed recently to move the body of Mrs. Mary Reynolds, who, at the time of her death, some years ago, weighed 300 pounds.

The undertaker found that the body had become petrified. It weighed 800 pounds, and it took a dozen men to land it into a wagon.

Found His Mother Frozen to Death.

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., Dec. 15.—The remains of Mrs. Magdalene Hurley, of Snufftown, Pa., who disappeared over three weeks ago, were found Sunday afternoon by her son. The body was frozen stiff. It lay beside a fallen tree along the raceway leading to the paper mill near Finesville. It is thought the woman had fallen from the railroad track along which she had been walking and had rolled to the spot where her body was found.

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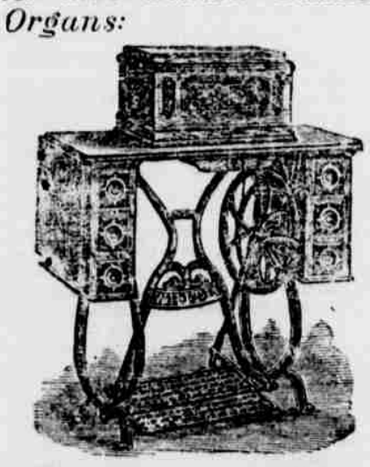

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FIELD UNDER ARREST.

Taken From a Private Asylum to Police Headquarters.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Edward F. Field, the son of Cyrus W. Field, and head of the late stock broking firm of Field, Lindley, Wiechers & Co., which failed for more than $1,000,000 in the last week of November, slept in police headquarters last night.

He is a prisoner under many charges of grand larceny, upon conviction of which he may spend the remainder of his life in the striped garb of a convict. He did not act like a lunatic. On the contrary, he was more than ordinarily calm and collected. Field was arrested at Dr. Granger's private asylum in Westchester county, by three of Inspector Byrnes' detectives.

District Attorney Nicoll gave out the following statement last night:

"In view of the repeated charges made in the newspapers I deemed it my duty without waiting for a complaint to be made by some of the persons said to have been defrauded.

"Mr. Field may be insane. If he is it must be proved as a defense to the indictment in the usual way.

"No man charged with a crime can avoid prosecution by being committed in advance to a private insane asylum."

Field was indicted by the Grand Jury for the larceny of $50,000 worth of bonds from the Union Pacific Railroad Company. He was arraigned before Judge Cowing, pleaded not guilty and was released on $25,000 bail. He was immediately rearrested on a charge of the larceny of about $100,000 worth of securities from R. E. Dietz, and was taken to Ludlow Street Jail.

IRISHMEN ASKED TO USE FORCE.

Highly Inflammatory Circular Issued to the Clan-na-Gael.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—A secret circular has been issued by what is called the Alexander Sullivan wing of the Clan-na-Gael to the different camps in the United States, calling upon Irishmen, inasmuch as Parliamentary agitation has been unsuccessful, to return to physical force.

The circular gives the large amount of money that has been consumed in peaceful agitation, and asks what has been accomplished. It speaks about the movements of the men of '48 and '98, and declares that they have frightened England into granting Ireland more concessions than all the other movements have accomplished since.

It advises that in order to begin the work, fifteen per cent. of the funds of each camp should be sent to a special committee at once.

An officer of the Clan-na-Gael was seen this afternoon in reference to the circular. On being asked if the Fenian movement was dead he said: "Our organization is the strongest Irish organization in existence to-day. We have 20,000 men ready to strike a blow for Ireland as soon as an opportunity presents itself.

Several members of the Irish Federation declared that they knew nothing about the circular and that the men at the head of the movement were the greatest enemies that Ireland has.

THE PATH OF THE GRIP.

Damp Weather Producing the Disease Over a Wide Area.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Special dispatches from a number of the larger cities of the country, from New York to San Francisco, show that on account of the prevailing mild, damp weather, the grip is again prevalent.

At some points it is quite severe, while at others, while epidemic, it is of mild form.

At Milwaukee Lemuel Richards, a long time friend of Rev. Dr. Boring of Evanston, who killed himself a few days ago, committed suicide while suffering from the grip.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The grip has again made its appearance in Washington, and a number of persons have been afflicted.

Justices Lamar and Brown of the United States Supreme Court are confined to their rooms by the disease. They are not considered seriously ill.

THIRTY YEARS A WIDOW.

Queen Victoria Places a Wreath on the Tomb of Prince Albert.

LONDON Dec. 15.—A solemn service was held in the mausoleum at Frogmore yesterday morning in memory of the Royal Consort, Prince Albert, to-day being the thirtieth anniversary of his death. The Bishop of Rochester, assisted by the Dean of Windsor, conducted the ceremonies. There was a full choir, which sang portions of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" and Sullivan's "Prodigal Son."

The queen was surrounded by the members of her family, including the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, the Duchess of Albany, the Princess Beatrice and Prince Henry of Battenberg and the Prince and Princess Christian. Her majesty in person placed a wreath on the tomb and the ceremonies were more than usually impressive.

GREAT BLIZZARD IN THE WEST.

Thousands of Cattle in Montana Starving in the Snow.

PUEBLO, Col., Dec. 15.—The severest storm ever known here raged for six hours yesterday. Wires of all kinds were prostrated and traffic generally suspended. A regular blizzard is blowing. Two houses have been blown down, but no one was hurt.

Reports from other Colorado points and Raton, N. M., said that business was almost entirely suspended on account of the blizzard. Rumors from Montana report cattle standing half covered with snow and thousands dying from cold and starvation.

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Danville	6 48	2 12	10 26	6 05
Catawissa	7 05	2 26	10 39	6 [illegible]
Rupert	7 12	2 31	10 44	6 23
Bloomsburg	7 20	2 36	10 49	6 29
Espy	7 27	2 43	.....	6 35
Lime Ridge	7 34	2 50	.....	6 42
Willow Grove	7 38	2 54	.....	6 46
Briarcreek	7 41	...	.....	6 [illegible]
Berwick	7 48	3 04	11 12	6 56
Beach Haven	7 54	3 10	11 18	7 02
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 17	.....	7 09
Shickshinny	8 10	3 29	11 33	7 [illegible]
Hunlock's	8 21	3 39	.....	7 32
Nanticoke	8 26	3 46	11 49	7 39
Avondale	8 30	3 51	.....	7 43
Plymouth	8 35	3 56	11 56	7 48
Plymouth Junction	8 40	4 00	.....	7 53
Kingston	8 [illegible]	4 06	12 03	7 57
Bennett	8 49	4 08	12 06	8 02
Maltby	8 52	4 12	.....	8 05
Wyoming	8 56	4 17	12 13	8 12
West Pittston	9 01	4 22	.....	8 17
Pittston	9 06	4 30	12 22	8 25
Duryea	9 12	4 34	.....	8 29
Lackawanna	9 16	4 [illegible]	.....	8 33
Taylorville	9 25	4 45	12 35	8 42
Bellevue	9 31	4 50	.....	8 47
SCRANTON	9 35	4 55	12 45	8 52
	A. M.	P. M	P. M.	M.

STATIONS.	SOUTH. A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 50	1 35	6 07
Bellevue	6 05	9 55	.....	.....
Taylorville	6 10	10 00	1 41	6 11
Lackawanna	6 18	10 07	1 52	6 24
Duryea	6 22	10 10	1 55	6 28
Pittston	6 28	10 14	2 00	6 3[illegible]
West Pittston	6 35	10 20	2 06	6 39
Wyoming	6 40	10 25	2 11	6 46
Maltby	6 44	10 28	.....	...
Bennett	6 48	10 32	2 19	6 [illegible]
Kingston	6 54	10 35	2 25	6 55
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 39	2 [illegible]	...
Plymouth	7 04	10 44	2 34	7 08
Avondale	7 09	10 48	2 38	7 [illegible]
Nanticoke	7 14	10 52	2 42	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	10 59	2 50	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 09	3 01	7 30
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 17	7 41
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 25	7 47
Berwick	8 02	11 40	3 33	7 55
Briar Creek	8 09	....	3 40	...
Willow Grove	8 13	11 [illegible]	3 44	8 02
Lime Ridge	8 17	11 56	3 50	8 06
Espy	8 24	12 04	3 58	8 13
Bloomsburg	8 31	12 12	4 05	8 18
Rupert	8 37	12 18	4 12	8 25
Catawissa	8 43	12 23	4 18	8 [illegible]
Danville	8 57	12 37	4 38	8 43
Chulasky	9 03	...	4 46	...
Cameron	9 07	12 46	4 51	8 53
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 22	1 00	5 05	9 07
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M

Connections at Rupert with Philadelphia & Reading Railroad for Tamanend, Tamaqua Williamsport, Sunbury, Pottsville, etc. At Northumberland with P. & E. Div. P. R. R. for Harrisburg, Lock Haven, Emporium, Warren, Corry and Erie.

W. F. HALLSTEAD, Gen. Man., Scranton, Pa.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

P. & E. R. R. DIV. AND N. C. RY

In effect Nov. 15, 1891. Trains leave Sunday

EASTWARD.

9:55 a. m. Train 14 (Daily except Sunday) for Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 3:15 p. m.; New York 5:50 p. m.; Baltimore, 3:10 p. m.; Washington 4:30 p. m., connecting at Philadelphia for all Sea Shore points. Passenger coaches to Philadelphia Baltimore.

1:55 p. m. Train 8, (Daily except Sunday,) for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 6:30 p. m.; New York, 9:35 p. m.; Baltimore 6:45 p. m.; Washington 8:15 p. m. Parlor cars to Philadelphia and passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

5.25 p. m. Train 12 (Daily except Sunday) for Harrisburg and intermediate points, arriving at Philadelphia 10:55 p. m. Baltimore 10:40 p. m. Passenger coach to Philadelphia.

8:22 p. m.—Train 6, (Daily,) for Harrisburg and all intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:25 a. m.; New York 7:10 a. m. Pullman sleeping car from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7 a. m.

1:50 a m.—(Daily,) for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 a m., New York 9:30 a. m., Baltimore 6:20 a. m. Washington 7:30 a. m., Pullman sleeping cars to Philadelphia and passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

3:55 a. m.—Train 16 (Daily,) for Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Baltimore 8:18 a. m. and Washington 9:43 a. m. and Pullman sleeping cars to Baltimore, Washington, and Passenger coaches to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

2:04 a. m.—Train 9 (Daily except Sunday) for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls, with Pullman sleeping cars and passenger coaches to Rochester.

5:10 a. m.—Train 3 (Daily,) for Erie, Canandaigua and intermediate stations, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls, with Pullman palace cars and passenger coaches to Erie and Rochester.

9:56—Train 15 (Daily,) for Lock Haven and intermediate stations.

1:35 p. m.—Train 11 (Daily except Sunday) for Kane, Canandaigua and intermediate stations, Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls with through passenger coaches to Kane and Rochester and Parlor car to Rochester.

5:30 p. m.—Train 1, (Daily except Sunday) for Renovo, Elmira and intermediate stations.

9:05 p. m.—Train 21, (Daily,) for Williamsport and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR SUNBURY FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 15—Leaves New York, 12:15 night, Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., Baltimore 4:45 a. m., Harrisburg, 8:10 a. m., daily arriving at Sunbury 9:55 a. m.

Train 11—Leaves Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Washington 8:10 a. m., Baltimore 9:00 a. m., (daily except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury, 1:35 with Parlor car from Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Train 1—Leaves New York 9:00 a. m., Philadelphia 11:40 a. m., Washington 10:50 a. m., Baltimore 11:45 a. m., (daily except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury 5:30 p. m. with passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Train 21 leaves New York 2 00 p. m., Philadelphia 4:25 p. m., Washington 3:25 p. m., Baltimore 4:30 p. m. (Daily) arriving at Sunbury 9:05 p. m. Through coach from Philadelphia.

Train 9 leaves New York 6:30 p. m., Philadelphia 9:20 p. m., Washington 7:40 p. m., Baltimore 8:45 p. m., (Daily except Saturday,) arriving at Sunbury, 2:04 a. m. with Pullman sleeping cars and passenger coaches from Washington and Baltimore.

Train 3 leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:25 p. m., Washington 10:00 p. m., Baltimore 11:20 p. m., (Daily,) arriving at Sunbury 5:10 a. m., with Pullman sleeping cars from Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore and passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore

SUNBURY HAZLETON, & WILKESBARRE RAILROAD, AND NORTH AND WEST BRANCH RAILWAY.

(Daily except Sunday.)

Train 7 leaves Sunbury 10:00 a. m. arriving at Bloom Ferry 10:48 a. m., Wilkes Barre 12.10 p. m. Hazleton 12:15 p. m., Pottsville 1.25 p. m.

Train 11 leaves Sunbury 5:35 p. m. arriving at Bloom Ferry 6:26 p. m., Wilkes-Barre 7:50 p. m. Hazleton 7:54 p. m. Pottsville 9:05 p. m.

Train 8 leaves Wilkes-Barre 7:25 a. m. Pottsville 6:00 a. m., Hazleton 7:10 a. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 8:47 a. m., Sunbury 9:40 a. m.

Train 10 leaves Pottsville 1:50 p. m. Hazleton 3:04 p. m. Wilkes-Barre 3:32 p. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 4:31 p. m., Sunbury 5:15 p. m.

SUNDAY TRAINS.

Train 7 leaves Sunbury 10:00 a. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 10:48 a. m., Wilkes-Barre 12:10 p. m.

Train 26 leaves Wilkes-Barre 2:10 p. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 6:39 p. m., Sunbury 7:30 p. m.

CHAS. E. PUGH, Gen. Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen. Pass. Agt.

BLOOMSBURG & SULLIVAN R. R.

Taking effect MONDAY, NOV. 17, 1890.

STATIONS.	SOUTH. Ar. P. M.	Ar. P. M.	Ar. A. M.	Lv. A. M.	Lv. P. M.	Lv P. M.
Bloomsburg	6 25	12 10	7 15	8 35	2 35	6 40
Main Street	6 15	12 04	7 07	8 42	2 42	6 47
Irondale	6 16	12 00	7 04	8 45	2 45	6 50
Paper Mill	6 08	11 52	6 56	8 53	2 53	6 58
Lightstreet	6 05	11 49	6 53	8 56	2 56	7 12
Orangeville	5 57	11 38	6 43	9 03	3 07	7 03
Forks	5 45	11 27	6 33	9 15	3 17	7 20
Zaner's	5 42	11 24	6 30	9 20	3 20	7 24
Sullivan	5 37	11 19	6 25	9 27	3 25	7 29
Benton	5 28	11 09	6 16	9 37	3 33	7 39
Edens	5 23	11 04	6 11	9 41	3 38	7 44
Colley Creek	5 20	11 02	6 [illegible]	9 44	3 42	7 46
Sugarloaf	5 15	11 [illegible]	6 03	9 48	3 46	7 52
Laubachs	5 12	10 54	6 00	9 53	3 50	7 57
Central	5 03	10 43	5 53	10 08	4 00	8 07
Jamison City	5 00	10 40	5 50	10 10	4 05	10
	Lv. P. M.	Lv. A. M.	Lv. A. M.	Ar. A. M.	Ar. P. M.	

THE COLUMBIAN.
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Did you Drink Lion Coffee For Breakfast,?

WHO IS IT?

Just a few important answers to as many pertinent queries of interest to you if you want nice things for Christmas and New Years.

Who is it who has the largest stock of Plain and Fancy Cakes, Pies, Candies, etc., in town and has hosts of nice articles for the holiday trade? Messrs. Jacobs & Son.

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SALES.

Dec. 22. Rev. A. R. Glaze will sell a large quantity of personal property, including household and kitchen furniture, horse, wagons, sleigh, chickens, stoves, organ, &c., at 10 o'clock.

Dec. 23—Moses McHenry, executor of John Rhinhard deceased will sell cows. hogs, farm implements, household furniture, wagons. &c. on the premises of decedent in Fishingcreek township at 10. a m. See bills.

Dec. 30. William Hagenbuch, executor of Mary A. Hagenbuch, deceased, will sell real estate in Fishingcreek and Centre townships at 1 o'clock p. m.

JANUARY 21.—N. H. W. Brown and D. S. Brown, administrators of Jacob Brown, deceased, will sell real estate in Mifflinvile, at 10 o'clock a. m. J. S. Williams, auctioneer.

DEC. 31.—John G. Freeze will sell real estate on the Lightstreet road, consisting of frame house and half acre lot. J. S. Williams auctioneer.

Many pleasures in life are due to good health and good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla will bring pleasures as it increases the appetite, relieves all disorders arising from bad blood such as Headache, Constipation Boils and pimples which when driven out of the system brings good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla can be found at all drug stores also at Moyer Bro's. tf.

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Did you ever count up how much you pay for lamp chimneys? There are about twelve million families of us. We average, maybe, a lamp a family; chimneys break, perhaps, at the rate of one a week a lamp. Six hundred million chimneys a year for the ash barrels.

Suppose they cost ten cents a piece on the average; that's enough to half pay the national debt. Nine-tenths of it waste.

If you get Macbeth's "Pearl-top" or "Pearl-glass" you will pay a trifle more apiece, but not one-tenth as much a year.

Disreputable chimney makers are trying to furnish the dealers with cheap imitations. They break from heat, ruin the temper of the household and fill the ash barrels; a plague and a nuisance.

Insist on having the right kind.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Come to the Men's meeting next Sunday afternoon at 2:30, in Y. M. C. A. Hall, 42 West Main street. We expect a large attendance, and a good meeting. You will enjoy the music. Mr. F. B. Hartman will have charge of the meeting.

Following is the monthly report of November

	NO.	AVG.	TOTL.
Young Men's Meeting—Sunday,	4	90	382
Gospel Meetings Sunday,	1		300
Young Men's Meetings evening,	4	12	50
Meeting in jail,	1		20
Visits to jail			2
Special Meetings for prayer	4	3	13
Bibles distributed,			3
Spiritual Consultations,			18
Request for prayer,			1
Tracts distributed,			7
Books drawn from library,			106
Male Choir	5	9	32
Monthlies 12, Weeklies 44, Dailies 127,			181
Baths taken,			80
Attendance at rooms,	25	40	1.09
Letters and postals mailed,			34
Directed to boarding houses,			2
Committee meetings,	1		8
Subscriptions secured,			$10
New members,			2
Total membership,			102
Business calls,			143
Letters of introduction given,			1
Printed matter distributed,			1000

The monthly meeting of the school board of the Bloom School District, was held in the public library last Friday evening, December 11th, the directors, with all the teachers and janitors, being present. After the teachers had signed their reports, and they with janitors received their month's salary, they retired and the directors atttended to the needed work of the district. Attention was called to the dangerous condition of iron railing around the high school grounds and committee on buildings and grounds instructed to have it repaired. The principal's report was read showing progress in the schools. Books for supplementary reading were ordered and Williams & Rogers Theoretical and Practical Book Keeping for high schools, adopted. The committee on course of instruction were directed to confer with the principal of the Normal School in regard to procuring the services of Prof. Butts to give a few hours instructions each week in music to the high school. The next meeting will be held Friday evening January 22, 1892.

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Will promptly relieve the most distressing case of Acute or Chronic Rheumatism or Gout. By strictly observing the directions, it will cure you permanently.

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Only vegetable ingredients, remarkable for their curative powers, are used in the manufacture of KROUT'S RHEUMATIC REMEDY.

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ALBERT KROUT,
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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Fi. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed there will be sold at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1892,

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following real estate to-wit: All that certain lot of land situate in the Borough of Berwick, Columbia county, Pa., bounded on the east by lot No. 216, on the south by an alley, on the west by lot No, 214 and on the north by Seventh street, being ten rods in depth and three rods in width and being lot No. 215 of Fowler's addition to the Borough of Berwick, whereon are erected a large two-story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

fruit trees and out-buildings.

ALSO:

All that certain lot of land situate in the Borough of Berwick, Columbia county, Pa., bounded on the east by lot No. 217, on the south by an alley, on the west by lot No. 215 and on the north by Seventh street, being ten rods in depth and three rods in width and being lot No. 216 of Fowler's addition to the Borough of Berwick, Pa.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of H. R. Bower vs. G. W. Shive and to be sold as the property of G. W. Shive.

C. C. EVANS, Atty. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Fi. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pa., and to me directed there will be sold at the Court House Bloomsburg, Pa. on

SATURDAY JANUARY 2, 1892.

at 10 o'clock a. m. the following real estate to wit; all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Pine township Columbia County Pa. Bounded by adjoining lands of R. W. Lyons, William Kingston, O. A. Jacoby, David Kisner and others. Containing

52 ACRES

of land more or less whereon are erected a

DWELLING HOUSE, STABLE.

and out-buildings.

Seized taken into execution at the suit of William Houghton vs. Adam Bobb and to be sold as the property of Adam Bobb.

FRITZ, Atty. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on Friday December 11th, 1891 by C. C. Peacock, C. W. Neal, Isaac S. Kuhn, J. R. Townsend, I. W. Willits, W. R. Tubbs, Samuel Wigfall and A. N. Yost, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved April 29th, 1874 and its supplements, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the "Industrial Building and Loan Association of Bloomsburg," the character and object of which is to accumulate a fund by the periodical contribution of the members, and safely investing the same, and for these purposes to have and possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and its supplements. C. W. MILLER,
Nov. 18, 1891. 3w. Solicitor.

ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company at the Banking House in Bloomsburg, Tuesday January 12th, 1892, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to serve for the ensuing year.

12-18. H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.

YOUR COUCH

Has not yielded to the various remedies you have been taking. It troubles you day and night, breaks your rest and reduces your strength. Now try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, before the bronchial tubes become enlarged or the delicate tissues of the lungs sustain fatal injury. As an anodyne and expectorant, this preparation has no equal. It soothes the irritated membrane, promotes expectoration, and induces repose. The worst cough

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by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Dr. J. G. Gordon, Carrol Co., Va., writes: "I use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my practice, and pronounce it to be unequaled as a remedy for colds and coughs."

"After the grippe—cough. This was my experience—a hacking, dry cough, with an incessant tickling in the throat, keeping me awake nights, and disturbing the household. I tried a great number of 'cough-cures,' but they gave me only temporary relief. At last I concluded to take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and before I had used half a bottle, I had my first all-night sleep. I continued to improve, and now consider myself cured."—A. A. Sherman, Coeymans, N. Y.

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Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, many have been saved from fatal illness.

E. D. Estabrooks, Canterbury, N. B., says: "In the winter of 1859 I was a surveyor of lumber in Sacramento, Cal. Being considerably exposed, I took a bad cold accompanied with a terrible cough. I tried several remedies, but they failed to cure me, and it was thought I was going into a decline. On the advice of a friend, I began to use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and less than half a bottle completely cured me."

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Main Street.—Desirable building lot 50x214, price $1200.

First Street—Frame house, 6 rooms, lot 50x214, price $1050.

Fourth Street—Large frame house, 8 rooms, lot 100 feet front on street, price $2250.

Fifth Street—Large frame dwelling house, rooms, out-kitchen, barn, fine fruit, &c., lot 79x200, price $4500.

Main Street—Large store building, with dwelling house on same lot, corner lot fronting on two streets, price $4000.

Third Street.—Large 8 room house, lot 64x218 Price $2700.

Second Street, East of Penn.—Corner lot, 50 ft front. Price $800.

Second Street.—Fine large residence, 11 rooms

Ferry Road.—Two story house, lot 400 feet deep, price $900.

exclusive of bath room. Steam, gas, sewer water and all modern improvements.

Tenant houses and a number of vacant lots in other parts of the town, all of which are for sale on easy terms. For further particulars inquire

Fine Brick Residence in Espy Pa., Lot 92 feet front 10 room house, everything in good repair recently papered and painted, well at door, cistern, good stable and outbuildings, fruit of all kinds. Price $1600.

Iron Street, near Fifth—Two story frame house, 10 rooms, bath-room, water-closet, hot and cold water up-stairs and down, sewer, steam heat, electric light, and stationary range all in splendid condition. Large new stable on lot, room for three horses. Terms easy and price low.

of WINTERSTEEN, BECKLEY & M'KILLIP.
61. First National Bank Building, Bloomsburg, Pa.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Al. Fi. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County Pa. and to me directed there will be sold at the Court House Bloomsburg, Pa. on

SATURDAY JANUARY 2, 1892.

at 10 o'clock a. m. the following real estate to wit; All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Fishingcreek township Columbia County Pa. Bounded and described as follows to wit. On the north by land of John Sutton on the east by Fishingcreek, on the south by land of T. H. Edgar and on the west by public road containing 1½ town lots more or less whereon are erected a

DWELLING HOUSE, BARN

and out buildings.

Seized taken into execution at the suit of Z. L. Kile vs. C. J. Ash and to be sold as the property of C. J. Ash.

FRITZ, Atty JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of William Wright deceased.

To William Wright of Coalport, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania; William Penman whose last known address was Paso Robles, San Louis Obispo county, California; William Moore, surviving husband of Mary Penman, Orangeville, Columbia county, Pennsylvania; Robert Penman, Charles Penman, John Penman, James Penman, David Penman, Martha Penman, and Minnie G. Penman, the children of Mary Ann Wright, deceased, who intermarried with John Penman, dec'd, of whom David and Minnie are minors and whose guardian is Robert Penman, all of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Penna.; Thomas Lewis surviving husband of Harriet Wright and of Caroline Wright, both deceased, of Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Penna., and Mary B. Lewis, James W. Lewis, Thomas C. Lewis, M. Calvin Lewis, John M. Lewis, C. Irvin Lewis all residing in Hollidaysburg Blair Co, Pa. the children of Harriet Wright and the last four of whom are minors and have A. K. Babcock of Hollidaysburg, as their guardian; and Captola, minor child of Caroline Wright, residing in Hollidaysburg aforesaid, and whose guardian is A. K. Babcock of Hollidaysburg; and Elizabeth, intermarried with Gideon Heist of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, a writ of partition has issued from said court to the Sheriff of said county, returnable on the first Monday of February, A. D., 1892, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Saturday, January 2nd, 1892, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., upon the premises in Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper. JOHN B. CASEY,
JOHN G. FREEZE, Atty. Sheriff.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of "The Farmers National Bank of Bloomsburg," for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year will be held in the directors room of the bank on Tuesday January 12, 1892, between the hours of two and four o'clock p. m.

12-11-it FRANK IKELER, Cashier.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is Dr. Samuel Pitcher's prescription for Infants and Children. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It is a harmless substitute for Paregoric, Drops, Soothing Syrups, and Castor Oil. It is Pleasant. Its guarantee is thirty years' use by Millions of Mothers. Castoria destroys Worms and allays feverishness. Castoria prevents vomiting Sour Curd, cures Diarrhœa and Wind Colic. Castoria relieves teething troubles, cures constipation and flatulency. Castoria assimilates the food, regulates the stomach and bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. Castoria is the Children's Panacea—the Mother's Friend.

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"Castoria is so well adapted to children that I recommend it as superior to any prescription known to me."
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A glance at the show cases must convince all that this is the place for

MECHANICS' FINE TOOLS,

Bailey's and Stanley Rule and Level Co.'s iron and wood bottom, combination fancy planes, ratchet, spiral and Champion screw drivers, chisels, saws, plain and fancy hammers and hatchets, rules, levels, braces, trowels, squares, brushes of all kinds and the latest improved mechanics' helps.

Horse Shoes, Horse Nails, Iron and Steel, and general blacksmith supplies, chains, plain and barbed fence wire, poultry netting, picks, axes, wheel barrows, grind stones, and hand agricultural tools in endless variety for farmers, etc. In

BUILDERS' HARDWARE,

all the latest styles of both plain and fancy door butts, locks, knobs and house trimmings, wire and steel cut nails, paints, oils, window glass, varnish, building papers, and Adamant wall plaster.

Call at the old stand and get our prices before buying elsewhere. Selling strictly for cash we can make it to your interest to deal here and shall try to secure by deserving it, the custom of our friends and the friendship of our customers.

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at inventoried price and possession given immediately, and presents an opportunity for one or two parties to secure an established and profitable business at once.

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A. L. FRITZ, Atty. A. S. FRITZ, Administrator.
12-18-6w.

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12-18-6w. Stillwater P. O.

TIRED MOTHERS.

A little elbow leans upon your knee,
Your tired knee, that has so much to bear.
A childs dear eyes are looking lovingly
From underneath a thatch of tangled hair;
Perhaps you do not heed the velvet touch
Of warm, moist fingers folding yours so tight,
You do not prize this blessing overmuch—
You almost are to tired to pray to-night!

But it is blessedness! A year ago
I did not see it as I do to-day.
We are so dull and thankless, and too slow
To catch the sunshine ere it slips away.
And now it seems surpassing strange to me
That while I wore the badge of motherhood
I did not kiss more oft and tenderly
The little child that brought me only good!

And if some night when you sat down to rest
You missed this elbow from your tired knee,
This restless, curling head from off your breast;
This lisping tongue that chatters constantly.
If from your own the dimpled hand had slipped,
And ne'er would nestle in your palm again;
If the white feet into their grave had tripped.
I could not blame you for your heartache then!

I wonder so that mothers ever fret
At little children clinging to their gown;
Or that the foot prints when the days are wet,
Are ever black enough to make them frown!
If I could find a little muddy boot,
Or cap or jacket on my chamber floor;
If I could kiss a rosy restless foot,
And hear its patter in my house once more;

If I could mend a broken cart to-day,
To-morrow make a kite to reach the sky,
There is no woman in God's world could say
She was more blissfully content than I.
But, ah! the dainty pillow next my own
Is never rumpled by a shining head;
My singing birdling from the nest is flown—
The little boy I used to kiss is dead!

May Riley Smith.

By innumerable cures, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, has won for itself a most enviable reputation.

I've been suffering for the past three weeks with a strained wrist. I tried Salvation Oil, and find myself, after having used one bottle, entirely cured. Chas. Keyser, 199 Mulbury St., Baltimore, Md.

FOR SALE ON EASY TERMS.

A desirable house on Centre street, 5 bedrooms up and 1 down stairs, parlor, sitting room, dining room and kitchen. Supplied with water and gas, also connected with sewer. Also on the same premises a dwelling house, 2 bed rooms up and one down stairs, with kitchen. Also stable with room for 12 horses. Will be sold at private sale, with terms to suit purchaser. A clear title can be given. Possession obtained April 1st, 1892.

12-18 3t. J. L. GIRTON.
St. Elmo Hotel, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from Kidney and Liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Kidney and Liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at C. A. Klein's Drug Store.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Vend. Ex. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county Pa., and to me directed, there will be sold at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1892,

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following real estate to-wit: All that certain lot or piece of land with all the messuages or tenements thereon erected, situate in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia, state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at south-west corner of Market and Sixth streets of said town, thence by the south side of said Sixth street south sixty-five degrees west, four hundred and fourteen feet to the line of Jefferson street produced, thence southwardly along said east line of Jefferson street to the right of way of the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Division of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company, thence along the right of way of said Bloomsburg Division of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company to the west side of Market street aforesaid, thence by said Market street aforesaid, north twenty-six degrees west, one hundred and fifty-five feet, six inches to the place of beginning, upon which are erected two large

THREE-STORY BRICK BUILDINGS,

and a two-story brick stable and out-buildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of Franklin W. Hollowell, executor of the last will and testament of John I. Hollowell vs. Laforest A. Shattuck and to be sold as the property of Laforest A. Shattuck.

W. B. & M'K., Attys. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

GRATEFUL—COMFORTING.

EPPS'S COCOA

BREAKFAST.

"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected Cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavored beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.* Made simply with boiling water or milk. Sold only in half pound tins, by grocers, labelled thus:

JAMES EPPS & CO., Homœopathic Chemists, London, England.

German's Barred Rocks.

A few choice cockerels for sale about Oct. first, at 1.00 and 1.50 a piece. One choice one, early hatched, price $2.50 if taken soon.

W. B. GERMAN,
tf. Millville, Pa.

THE COLUMBIAN.
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Did you Drink Lion Coffee For Breakfast?

WHO IS IT?

Just a few important answers to as many pertinent queries of interest to you if you want nice things for Christmas and New Years.

Who is it who has the largest stock of Plain and Fancy Cakes, Pies, Candies, etc., in town and has hosts of nice articles for the holiday trade? Messrs. Jacobs & Son.

Who is satisfied with a reasonable profit and doesn't charge two prices? Messrs. Jacobs & Son.

Where's there place of business? No. 130 West Main Street.

What else do they sell? Hand-Made Clear Toys, Candy Baskets, Muffs, Pretzels, Canes, Walnut, Almond, Cream, Filbert, English Walnut, Peanut and Cocoanut Candies, French and Common Mixtures, and everything usually kept in a first-class Bakery and Confectionery Store.

SALES.

Dec. 22. Rev. A. R. Glaze will sell a large quantity of personal property, including household and kitchen furniture, horse, wagons, sleigh, chickens, stoves, organ, &c., at 10 o'clock.

Dec. 23—Moses McHenry, executor of John Rhinhard deceased will sell cows, hogs, farm implements, household furniture, wagons, &c. on the premises of decedent in Fishingcreek township at 10. a m. See bills.

Dec. 30. William Hagenbuch, executor of Mary A. Hagenbuch, deceased, will sell real estate in Fishingcreek and Centre townships at 1 o'clock p. m.

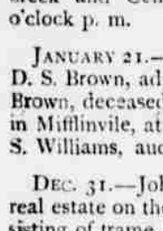
January 21.—N. H. W. Brown and D. S. Brown, administrators of Jacob Brown, deceased, will sell real estate in Mifflinvile, at 10 o'clock a. m. J. S. Williams, auctioneer.

Dec. 31.—John G. Freeze will sell real estate on the Lightstreet road, consisting of frame house and half acre lot. J. S. Williams auctioneer.

Many pleasures in life are due to good health and good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla will bring pleasures as it increases the appetite, relieves all disorders arising from bad blood such as Headache, Constipation Boils and pimples which when driven out of the system brings good looks. Manner's Double Extract Sarsaparilla can be found at all drug stores also at Moyer Bro's. tf.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by C. A. Kleim.



Did you ever count up how much you pay for lamp chimneys? There are about twelve million families of us. We average, maybe, a lamp a family; chimneys break, perhaps, at the rate of one a week a lamp. Six hundred million chimneys a year for the ash barrels.

Suppose they cost ten cents a piece on the average; that's enough to half pay the national debt. Nine-tenths of it waste.

If you get Macbeth's "Pearl-top" or "Pearl-glass" you will pay a trifle more apiece, but not one-tenth as much a year.

Disreputable chimney makers are trying to furnish the dealers with cheap imitations. They break from heat, ruin the temper of the household and fill the ash barrels; a plague and a nuisance.

Insist on having the right kind.

Pittsburgh, Pa. GEO. A. MACBETH & Co.

For the Holidays, best photographs and crayons at M'Killip Bros.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Come to the Men's meeting next Sunday afternoon at 2:30, in Y. M. C. A. Hall, 42 West Main street. We expect a large attendance, and a good meeting. You will enjoy the music. Mr. F. B. Hartman will have charge of the meeting.

Following is the monthly report of November

	NO.	AVG.	TOTL.
Young Men's Meeting—Sunday,	4	90	362
Gospel Meetings Sunday,	1		300
Young Men's Meetings evening,	4	12	50
Meeting in jail,	1		20
Visits to jail			2
Special Meetings for prayer	4	3	13
Bibles distributed,			3
Spiritual Consultations,			18
Request for prayer,			1
Tracts distributed,			7
Books drawn from library,			106
Male Choir	3	9	28
Monthlies 12, Weeklies 41, Dailies 128,			181
Baths taken,			80
Attendance at rooms,	25	40	1 00
Letters and postals mailed,			34
Directed to boarding houses,			2
Committee meetings,	1		8
Subscriptions secured,			$10
New members,			2
Total membership,			102
Business calls,			143
Letters of introduction given,			1
Printed matter distributed,			1000

The monthly meeting of the school board of the Bloom School District, was held in the public library last Friday evening, December 11th, the directors, with all the teachers and janitors, being present. After the teachers had signed their reports, and they with janitors received their month's salary, they retired and the directors attended to the needed work of the district. Attention was called to the dangerous condition of iron railing around the high school grounds and committee on buildings and grounds instructed to have it repaired. The principal's report was read showing progress in the schools. Books for supplementary reading were ordered and Williams & Rogers Theoretical and Practical Book Keeping for high schools, adopted. The committee on course of instruction were directed to confer with the principal of the Normal School in regard to procuring the services of Prof. Butts to give a few hours instructions each week in music to the high school. The next meeting will be held Friday evening January 22, 1892.

Do You Want Relief?

KROUT'S RHEUMATIC REMEDY

Will promptly relieve the most distressing case of Acute or Chronic Rheumatism or Gout. By strictly observing the directions, it will cure you permanently.

Unlike the numerous preparations that flood the country, this medicine is a specific for the various forms of rheumatism only, and not to any sense a "cure all." One bottle will make a satisfactory impression on the system, and in connection with the pills, convince the sufferer that the proper remedy has been found. You are earnestly requested to test the merits of

KROUT'S RHEUMATIC REMEDY

as its valuable properties are endorsed by hundreds of the most flattering testimonials.

Only vegetable ingredients, remarkable for their curative powers, are used in the manufacture of KROUT'S RHEUMATIC REMEDY.

$1.00 Per Bottle. 6 Bottles, $5.00. Pills 25 Cts. Box.

If your druggist does not keep it, send $1.25 to the manufacturer, and you will receive it by mail.

ALBERT KROUT,
3637 Market Street, Philad'a, Pa.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1892,

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following real estate to wit: All that certain lot of land situate in the Borough of Berwick, Columbia county, Pa., bounded on the east by lot No. 216, on the south by an alley, on the west by lot No. 214 and on the north by Seventh street, being ten rods in depth and three rods in width and being lot No. 215 of Fowler's addition to the Borough of Berwick, whereon are erected a large two-story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

fruit trees and out-buildings.

ALSO:

All that certain lot of land situate in the Borough of Berwick, Columbia county, Pa., bounded on the east by lot No. 217, on the south by an alley, on the west by lot No. 215 and on the north by Seventh street, being ten rods in depth and three rods in width and being lot No. 216 of Fowler's addition to the Borough of Berwick, Pa.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of H. R. Bower vs. G. W. Shive and to be sold as the property of G. W. Shive.

C. C. EVANS, Atty. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

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at 10 o'clock a. m. the following real estate to wit; all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Pine township Columbia County Pa. Bounded by adjoining lands of R. W. Lyons, William Kingston, O. A. Jacoby, David Kisner and others. Containing

52 ACRES

of land more or less whereon are erected a

DWELLING HOUSE, STABLE.

and out-buildings.

Seized taken into execution at the suit of William Houghton vs. Adam Bobb and to be sold as the property of Adam Bobb.

FRITZ, Atty. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on Friday December 11th, 1891 by C. C. Peacock, C. W. Neal, Isaac S. Kuhn, J. R. Townsend, I. W. Willits, W. R. Tubbs, Samuel Wigfall and A. N. Yost, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved April 29th, 1874 and its supplements, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the "Industrial Building and Loan Association of Bloomsburg," the character and object of which is to accumulate a fund by the periodical contribution of the members, and safely investing the same, and for these purposes to have and possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and its supplements. C. W. MILLER, Nov. 18, 1891. 3w. Solicitor.

ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company at the Banking House in Bloomsburg, Tuesday January 12th, 1892, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to serve for the ensuing year.

12-18. H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.

YOUR COUCH

Has not yielded to the various remedies you have been taking. It troubles you day and night, breaks your rest and reduces your strength. Now try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, before the bronchial tubes become enlarged or the delicate tissues of the lungs sustain fatal injury. As an anodyne and expectorant, this preparation has no equal. It soothes the irritated membrane, promotes expectoration, and induces repose. The worst cough

Can Be Cured

by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Dr. J. G. Gordon, Carrol Co., Va., writes: "I use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my practice, and pronounce it to be unequaled as a remedy for colds and coughs."

"After the grippe—cough. This was my experience—a hacking, dry cough, with an incessant tickling in the throat, keeping me awake nights, and disturbing the household. I tried a great number of 'cough-cures,' but they gave me only temporary relief. At last I concluded to take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and before I had used half a bottle, I had my first all-night sleep. I continued to improve, and now consider myself cured."—A. A. Sherman, Cocymans, N. Y.

By Using

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, many have been saved from fatal illness.

E. D. Estabrooks, Canterbury, N. B., says: "In the winter of 1859 I was a surveyor of lumber in Sacramento, Cal. Being considerably exposed, I took a bad cold accompanied with a terrible cough. I tried several remedies, but they failed to cure me, and it was thought I was going into a decline. On the advice of a friend, I began to use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and less than half a bottle completely cured me."

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

PREPARED BY

Dr. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

Sold by all Druggists. Price $1; six bottles, $5.

REAL ESTATE

—FOR SALE IN—

BLOOMSBURG.

Main Street.—Desirable building lot 50x214, price $1200.

First Street.—Frame house, 6 rooms, lot 50x214, price $1050.

Fourth Street.—Large frame house, 8 rooms, lot 100 feet front on street, price $2250.

Fifth Street.—Large frame dwelling house, rooms, out-kitchen, barn, fine fruit, &c., lot 79x200, price $4500.

Main Street.—Large store building, with dwelling house on same lot, corner lot fronting on two streets, price $4000.

Third Street.—Large 8 room house, lot 64x212. Price $2700.

Second Street, East of Penn.—Corner lot, 50 ft front. Price $800.

Second Street.—Fine large residence, 11 rooms

Ferry Road.—Two story house, lot 400 feet deep, price $900.

exclusive of bath room. Steam, gas, sewer water and all modern improvements.

Tenant houses and a number of vacant lots in other parts of the town, all of which are for sale on easy terms. For further particulars inquire

Fine Brick Residence in Espy Pa., Lot 92 feet front 10 room house, everything in good repair recently papered and painted, well at door, cistern, good stable and outbuildings, fruit of all kinds. Price $1600.

Iron Street, near Fifth—Two story frame house, 10 rooms, bath-room, water-closet, hot and cold water up-stairs and down, sewer, steam heat, electric light, and stationary range all in splendid condition. Large new stable on lot, room for three horses. Terms easy and price low.

of WINTERSTEEN, BECKLEY & M'KILLIP. First National Bank Building, Bloomsburg, Pa.

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SATURDAY JANUARY 2, 1892.

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DWELLING HOUSE, BARN

and out buildings.

Seized taken into execution at the suit of Z. L. Kile vs. C. J. Ash and to be sold as the property of C. J. Ash.

FRITZ, Atty. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of William Wright deceased.

To William Wright of Coalport, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania; William Penman whose last known address was Paso Robles, San Louis Obispo county, California; William Moore, surviving husband of Mary Penman, Orangeville, Columbia county, Pennsylvania; Robert Penman, Charles Penman, John Penman, James Penman, David Penman, Martha Penman, and Minnie G. Penniman, the children of Mary Ann Wright, deceased, who intermarried with John Penman, dec'd, of whom David and Minnie are minors and whose guardian is Robert Penman, all of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Penna.; Thomas Lewis surviving husband of Harriet Wright and of Caroline Wright, both deceased, of Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Penna., and Mary B. Lewis, James W. Lewis, Thomas C. Lewis, M. Calvin Lewis, John M. Lewis, C. Irvin Lewis all residing in Hollidaysburg Blair Co. Pa. the children of Harriet Wright and the last four of whom are minors and have A. K. Babcock of Hollidaysburg, as their guardian; and Capitola, minor child of Caroline Wright, residing in Hollidaysburg aforesaid, and whose guardian is A. K. Babcock of Hollidaysburg; and Elizabeth, intermarried with Gideon Heist of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, a writ of partition has issued from said court to the Sheriff of said county, returnable on the first Monday of February, A. D., 1892, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Saturday, January 2nd, 1892, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., upon the premises in Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper. JOHN B. CASEY, Sheriff.

JOHN G. FREEZE, Atty.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of "The Farmers National Bank of Bloomsburg," for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year will be held in the directors room of the bank on Tuesday January, 12, 1892, between the hours of two and four o'clock p. m.

12-11-tr FRANK IKELER, Cashier.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is Dr. Samuel Pitcher's prescription for Infants and Children. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It is a harmless substitute for Paregoric, Drops, Soothing Syrups, and Castor Oil. It is Pleasant. Its guarantee is thirty years' use by Millions of Mothers. Castoria destroys Worms and allays feverishness. Castoria prevents vomiting Sour Curd, cures Diarrhœa and Wind Colic. Castoria relieves teething troubles, cures constipation and flatulency. Castoria assimilates the food, regulates the stomach and bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. Castoria is the Children's Panacea—the Mother's Friend.

Castoria.

"Castoria is an excellent medicine for children. Mothers have repeatedly told me of its good effect upon their children."

DR. G. C. OSGOOD, Lowell, Mass.

"Castoria is the best remedy for children of which I am acquainted. I hope the day is not far distant when mothers will consider the real interest of their children, and use Castoria instead of the various quack nostrums which are destroying their loved ones, by forcing opium, morphine, soothing syrup and other hurtful agents down their throats, thereby sending them to premature graves."

DR. J. F. KINCHELOE, Conway, Ark.

Castoria.

"Castoria is so well adapted to children that I recommend it as superior to any prescription known to me."

H. A. ARCHER, M. D., 111 So. Oxford St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Our physicians in the children's department have spoken highly of their experience in their outside practice with Castoria, and although we only have among our medical supplies what is known as regular products, yet we are free to confess that the merits of Castoria has won us to look with favor upon it."

UNITED HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY, Boston, Mass.

ALLEN C. SMITH, Pres.,

The Centaur Company, 77 Murray Street, New York City.

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THE CURE FOR CATARRH COLD IN HEAD HAY FEVER DEAFNESS HEADACHE ELY'S CREAM BALM 50c

THE POSITIVE CURE.

ELY BROTHERS, 66 Warren St., New York. Price 50 cts.

—THE—

Schuyler Hardware Store

Has received by the purchasers in the last six months, a thorough renovating; old and unsalable goods and surplus stock has been closed out and an entire new line of bright fresh goods purchased, making the stock one of the largest and most complete in its several lines in this section of the State. The ladies will be delighted with the display of—

German blue and white, Agate and Japanese Enameled Ware,

Japanned and "never-break" steel ware, Rodgers silverware, carpet sweepers, cutlery, that will cut, and a complete line of fine house furnishing goods.

THE SPORTING GOODS DEPARTMENT

contains a large variety of skates, lancewood and split bamboo fishing rods, reels, flies, hooks, lines, double and single barrel breech loading shot guns, repeating and Flobert rifles, air guns, revolvers, game traps, clothing, gun implements, loaded shells, cartridges, chilled and soft shot, powder, etc.

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12-18-6w.

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12-18-6w.

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A little elbow leans upon your knee,
Your tired knee, that has so much to bear.
A childs dear eyes are looking lovingly
From underneath a thatch of tangled hair;
Perhaps you do not heed the velvet touch
Of warm, moist fingers folding yours so tight,
You do not price this blessing overmuch—
You almost are too tired to pray to-night!

But it is blessedness! A year ago
I did not see it as I do to-day.
We are so dull and thankless, and too slow
To catch the sunshine ere it slips away.
And now it seems surpassing strange to me
That while I wore the badge of motherhood
I did not kiss more oft and tenderly
The little child that brought me only good!

And if some night when you sat down to rest
You missed this elbow from your tired knee,
This restless, curling head from off your breast,
This lisping tongue that chatters constantly,
If from your own the dimpled hand had slipped,
And ne'er would nestle in your palm again,
If the white feet into their grave had tripped,
I could not blame you for your heartache then!

I wonder so that mothers ever fret
At little children clinging to their gown;
Or that the foot prints when the days are wet,
Are ever black enough to make them frown!
If I could find a little muddy boot,
Or cap or jacket on my chamber floor;
If I could kiss a rosy restless foot,
And hear its patter in my house once more;

If I could mend a broken cart to-day,
To-morrow make a kite to reach the sky,
There is no woman in God's world could say
She was more blissfully content than I.
But, ah! the dainty pillow next my own
Is never rumpled by a stirring head;
My singing birdling from the nest is flown—
The little boy I used to kiss is dead!

May Riley Smith.

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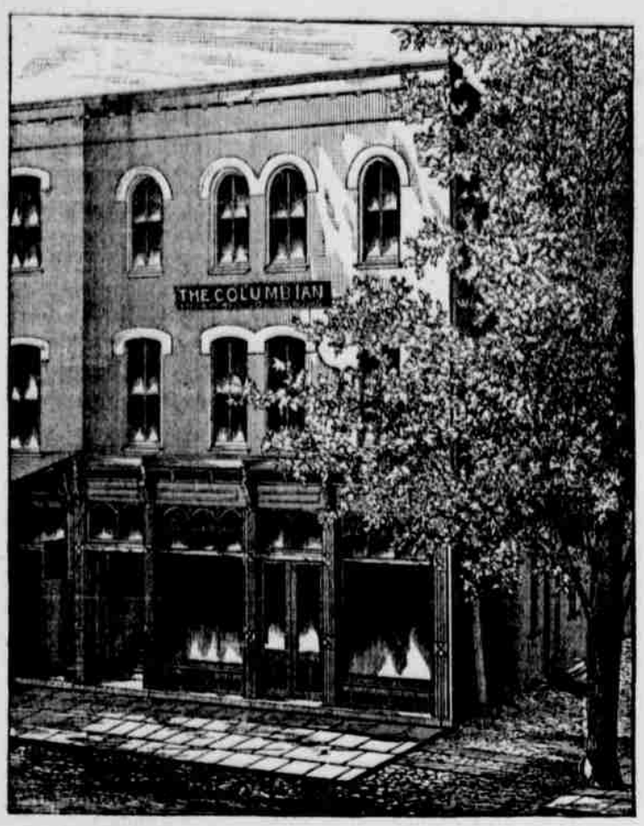

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ELI PERKINS'S NEW BOOK

IT IS A LIVELY ONE AND IS NAMED "THIRTY YEARS OF WIT."

A Few Quotations From It—The Popular Humorist Says That He Has Been Telling Good and Bad Stories for 30 Years and More.

The ever young Eli Perkins informs the public that he has been for 30 years telling and hearing good stories, and in his new volume, "Thirty Years of Wit" he gives the best of those that he has heard and of those that he has told.

"When I asked Bill Arp one day if he really killed many Yankees," says Mr. Perkins, he said:

"'Well, I don't want to boast about myself, but I killed as many of them as they did of me.'"

"Mr. David Welcher tells me," says Eli Perkins, "that Mark Twain, when in a good humor, told him the story of his courtship, and how he won his beautiful and wealthy wife. She was a Miss Langdon, of Elmira. When Mark first met her he was not so distinguished as now; his origin was humble, and for some years of his life he had been a pilot on the Mississippi River. The future Mrs. Clemens was a woman of position and fortune; her father a judge, and doubtless expected 'family' and social importance in his son in law. Clemens, however, became interested in his daughter, and after a while proposed but was rejected.

"'Well,' he said to the lady, 'I didn't much believe you'd have me, but I thought I'd try.'

"After a while he 'tried' again, with the same result, and then remarked, with his celebrated drawl, 'I think a great deal more of you than if you'd said "Yes," but it's hard to bear.' A third time he met with better fortune, and then came to the most difficult part of his task—to address the old gentleman.

"'Judge,' he said to the dignified millionaire, 'have you seen anything going on between Miss Lizzie and me?'

"'What? what?' exclaimed the judge, rather sharply, apparently not understanding the situation, yet doubtless getging a glimpse of it from the inquiry.

"'Have you seen anything going on between Miss Lizzie and me?'

"'No, indeed,' replied the magnate sternly. 'No, sir, I have not.'

"'Well, look sharp and you will,' said the author of 'Innocents Abroad,' and that's the way he asked the judicial luminary for his daughter's hand."

Eli Perkins asked the Rev. "Sam" Jones:

"'Do they ever answer back to you from the audience when you talk so savagely?'

"'Yes, often. Every now and then a burnt sinner will squeal. Sometimes they get a good joke on me too. One day, in St. Louis,' continued the preacher, laughing, 'an awful funny thing happened. I had been attacking the gamblers and drunkards for an hour, and I said a drunkard was lower than a dog.

"'Just then a shabby, blear eyed man arose tremblingly and started to leave the church.

"'"Stop! young man," I said. "Stop!"

"'The young man stood still, with a thousand eyes on him.

"'"If you'd rather go to hell than hear me preach just go on!"

"'"Well," replied the man, after a pause, "I believe I'd rather." And out he went.'"

"I was talking one day," says Eli Perkins, "with Mr. Depew about demand and supply. I said the price of any commodity is always controlled by the demand and supply.

"'Not always, Eli,' said Mr. Depew; 'demand and supply don't always govern prices. Business tact sometimes governs them.'

"'When,' I asked, 'did an instance ever occur when the price did not depend on demand and supply?'

"'Well,' said Mr. Depew, 'the other day I stepped up to a German butcher, and out of curiosity asked:

"'"What's the price of sausages?"

"'"Dwenty cents a bound," he said.

"'"You asked 25 this morning," I replied.

"'"Ya, dot vas ven I had some. Now I ain't got none I sells him for dwenty cends. Dot makes me a repudation for selling cheab und I don'd lose nodtings."

"'You see,' said Depew, laughing, "I didn't want any sausage, and the man didn't have any; no demand or supply, and still the price of sausage went down."

After telling us no end of funny stories Eli Perkins says: "Any one can write humor who will sit down and write the honest truth. There is no imagination in humor, while wit is all imagination."

"I have known a kind of half sad humor," said Eli Perkins, "where two earnest people misconstrue each other's thoughts. I once heard of a dialogue between a sweet, dear old clergyman in Arkansas and an illiterate parishioner, which illustrates this idea.

"'Your children have all turned out well, I reckon,' said the clergyman, as he sat down to dinner with the parishioner he had not seen in church for several years.

"'Well, yes, all but Bill, poor feller.'

"'Drunk licker, I reckon,' said the clergyman sorrowfully.

"'Oh, no; never drunk no licker, but hain't amounted to nothin'. Bill was deceived, an' it ruint him.'

"'Love affair? Married out of the church, maybe?'

"'Yes, an' a mighty bad love affair.'

"'She deceived him, eh?'

"'Terribly! Terribly!'

"'Ruined his spiritual life and he married a scoffer?'

"'Oh, no, she married him; married him? I guess she did.'

"'But, confidentially, what was the cause of your son's grief and ruin?'

"'Well, you see, Brother Munson, she was a widder, and let on she was well off, but she wa'n't. W'y, she wa'n't able to get Bill a decent suit o' clothes the week airter they wuz married. Poor Bill has gone ragged ever since the weddin'. Poor boy, he's lost all confidence in wimmen, Bill has.'"

GAMBLING IN LIVES.

PECULIAR METHODS OF INSURANCE IN ENGLAND.

Miserable Wrecks of Humanity Whose Death Is Made a Source of Profit. Tricks of a Knavish Trade Sometimes the Gamblers Get Disappointed.

The Pall Mall *Budget*, of London, states that the revelations made in the course of an action against an insurance company at the present Manchester assizes have forced into the public notice as hideous a traffic in human life as ever disgraced a civilized country. Gambling in lives has in many Lancashire towns, but chiefly in Blackburn, long been a lucrative occupation.

The insurance companies are hoodwinked and defrauded, and the miserable victims of conspiracy are, by means not actually criminal, shuffled out of life. Husbands insure their wives, wives their husbands, children their parents. Any one who is believed to be "within measurable distance" of the grave is fair game for the speculator. He scans his neighbor as a valuer scans a houseful of furniture.

Let but the symptoms of consumption or any other fatal disease appear, and he makes insinuating advances to secure a policy on the doomed one's life. Of course his victims are as a rule selected from the very dregs of humanity—the drunken, diseased, and feeble—who for the sake of prospective drinks readily sign the "bit o' paper," and thenceforward have the path to the grave smoothed and facilitated by the creatures who fatten upon them.

The case heard at the Manchester assizes differs in no essential respect from a hundred others. The victim in that case was a wretched old hostler, or hanger on, of a public house. He had not a copper in the world to call his own; but he had something much more valuable to others; he had unequivocal symptoms of speedy decease. Forthwith he was honored with the anxious attentions of the harpies. Glowing reports were made to the insurance companies of his prospects of reaching a patriarchal age; and in the end the poor old fellow, trembling on the brink of eternity, bore the burden of 20 policies with a total value of £1,700. Happily, one of the insurance companies had the courage to fight the conspiracy by disputing the claim, and were victorious. Indeed, the barrister engaged for the plaintiff, when he saw the sort of case he was put up to champion, honorably threw up his brief.

This case is but a type of hundreds of others which have made life assurance a term of evil import in the north of England. In Blackburn a common loiterer about the market place is insured in various companies for £9,000. He is aware of the fact that death will materially increase his commercial value, but so long as his income of a few shillings is supplemented by fees for signing insurance papers "he does not care how long the thing goes on." This poor wretch is respectably connected, and once held a decent position in society, but a life of dissipation has brought him into the web of the insurance speculator, whence he will never escape, save in a coffin. In another case a man who spends a large portion of his time in the workhouse is insured for £3,880, and in a third a hawker of bags of coal, who, living, is worth hardly the clothes upon his back, will as a corpse be valued at £1,900.

Many of the mirerable beings thus traded upon are totally unconscious of the enormous sums which are involved when they "sign a bit o' paper" for a "friend" and a drink. In one instance, a poor sickly weaver, who is insured in one office alone for £1,000, when asked whether he knew the amount of his insurance replied. "Well, nobbut a few pounds. 20 or 30, happen." He admitted that he had never paid the premiums, and that he did not know the person who had acted as referee. Further investigation showed that the policy had been effected by an intermediary, who, in consideration of a portion of the commission, had served to conceal the identity of the insurer.

Gambling in lives, like gambling in stocks or on the turf, not infrequently involves loss to the gambler. Some of the wrecks of humanity who are the special objects of the solicitude of the speculator display a most unexpected tenacity to their thread of life. With one foot in the grave, they yet manage to keep the other out for an unconscionable time. Even the constant supply of neat brandy with which their patrons indulge them with the view of assisting them speedily to a better world is often ineffectual. Nay, it seems only to increase the vitality of the remaining leg. One typical case will suffice as an instance.

A certain feeble and apparently moribund old fellow has been the subject of very particular attention from the speculating fraternity, who have insured him wholesale. His signature to policies has been eagerly sought after, and he has revelled in unlimited supplies of spirits for years. He has, however, proved himself an uncommonly tough morsel for his patrons. Racked by cough, afflicted with rheumatism, he yet "lags superfluous on the stage," and not a few policies on his life have been allowed to lapse. One speculator alone has paid more than £40 above what he will receive when the hardy old fellow's final ad-um is uttered.

Doubtless the wonder will be that these conspiracies against the insurance companies are possible. The system, however, is very simple. The speculators are in league with the more unscrupulous insurance agents, from whom they receive a portion of the commission the companies allow on new policies. They act as the agent's touts, and after taking an inventory of the victim's prospects of a reasonably early death, induce him or her to be insured. This done, the rest is easy, for with the agent cooperating with him the speculator has little difficulty in hoodwinking the company and palming upon it a life which, were the true facts made known, would be accepted on no conditions whatever.

It's a mistake to suppose that the social lion is the king of beasts.

No More for Him.

Missionary—Won't you take a tract, my friend?

Whoop La (the Pawnee)—Not much! Last tract said "and Lo, he was cast out."—Judge.

Here's the Chance.

If Europe is in danger
Of starving since her rye
And other grains are failing,
To save her we will try.
Let her seek Uncle Samuel
And find his Sunday vest,
Press money in his pocket
And we will do the rest.
—Philadelphia Press.

An Old Bachelor's Excuse.

"You were never married, I believe?"

"No, I was never married."

"That's a little singular, isn't it?"

"No, not at all. You see, the first time I fell in love I said to myself, 'I'll marry her or none.'"

"Why didn't you marry her, then?"

"Well, you see, after I had become better acquainted with her I said to myself, 'I'll marry none rather than her.' Since that I've got along very well with none."—Texas Siftings.

Dreadful.

Oh, when will my heart find a cure for the smart
That Cupid has left with his mischievous dart?
For my pretty typewritter has said she will be
A simple amanuensister to me.
—Judge.

Tempus Fugit.

Marvin (somewhat absentminded)—Why, Spatts, you don't seem a day older than when I saw you last.

Spatts—Perhaps not. You saw me this morning.

Marvin—Did I? How time flies, to be sure.—Puck.

Rather Careless.

Polly—So you are really and truly engaged—how did it come about?

Patsy—Well, papa said he didn't care, mamma said she didn't care, Jack said he didn't care, and I'm sure I didn't care, so we became engaged.—

Hard All Round.

"What are you crying about, my little man?"

"Jimmy O'Brien licked me first, an' then father licked me for letting Jimmy lick me, an' then Jimmy licked me again for telling father, an' now I suppose I shall catch it again from father."—Life.

Brief but Expressive.

He owned a gun—in it he blew—
The gun went off, and he did, too.
—Judge.

Joy Among the Germs.

First Tubercular Bacillus—I see by the papers that a new germicide has been discovered.

Second Tubercular Bacillus—Good enough! I hope it will be as nutritious as Dr. Koch's.—Epoch.

Why Not?

Elderly but Well Preserved Widow (in business)—This is an employment agency, is it not?

Manager—It is, ma'am. What can I do for you?

I want a bright, active, capable young man for a typewriter.—Chicago Tribune.

Beyond His Power.

A man may delve with muscle or brain;
May struggle for power or strive for gain;
May climb to the pinnacled heights of renown;
Or, by trouble o'erwhelmed, be forever cast down;
May dream himself the lord of creation,
Society's bulwark, the strength of the nation;
But there's one thing for certain a woman can do
That's beyond his skill—bite a thread in two!

A New Industry.

"Jones put his parrot in the cage with his owl the other day."

"What was the result?"

"He got enough feathers for a new featherbed."—Judge.

Time to Grow an Appetite.

"Let's go into this restaurant and get something to eat."

"But I'm not hungry."

"That's no matter; you will be before you get anything."—

They All Do It.

She painted him a moonshoir case,
Said he, "how very nice!"
And stored it in the attic, where
It makes a home for mice.
—Cloak Review.

No Turning Back.

Teacher—For what was Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt?

Dicky Boy—For keeps.—Puck.

A PRIZE ESSAY.

A Small Boy Discusses a Great Subject.

The Deckertown (N. J.) Independent, in awarding prizes for the best essay on "The Local Newspaper," gives the following, whose author is a young school boy of Newton, Addison P. Rosenkrans. It is certainly a meritorious production, and would do credit to a college man:

The first English newspaper was published in London, in 1622, and the first one in this country was issued at Boston, in 1690.

Now their number is untold, and their power is as great as the territories in which they circulate.

Wherever civilization exists their influence is felt.

But we are to write particularly of the local newspaper.

It educates society. Man is a social being. No one lives alone.

All are bound together by ties of interest and sympathy.

A knowledge of the actions of a community makes each citizen a vital force of society.

This can only be supplied by the local newspaper, which not only gives events occurring that affect the interest and character of the community, but it receives and gives information from all portions of the world, relating what others are thinking and doing in social, business, educational, political and religious circles.

It molds public opinion, which sweeps like a flood everything that obstructs its pathway, and is found in the feelings and reason of men who are guided and governed by a true knowledge of public issues.

It secures good government by publishing and criticising the official acts of those holding positions of public trust.

It gives warning by exposing the follies, vices and wrongdoing of persons as so many beacon lights to turn others from the rocks on which they have been shipwrecked.

It makes history by recording the achievements of the past and local current events of every kind, and preserving them in durable form for the benefit of posterity.

It is useful to business. It studies the condition of all classes, and states accurately every occurrence and every sign which affects trade.

Producers and dealers through its advertising columns find purchasers for their goods, and consumers learn where to get what they wish.

It aids and elevates the poor. Its trifling cost puts it within reach of all, and it brings to those who cannot get daily papers and periodicals, on account of their expense, a knowledge of public affairs and provides them with reading matter both interesting and instructive.

It teaches moral principles.

By its constant warfare against crime, ignorance and oppression, and its advocacy of truth, virtue and intelligence, it is the chief agent in the improvement of public morals and in the advancement of the people in virtuous knowledge.

It Is Indispensable.

In olden times newspapers were considered valuable to readers only for their news, and advertisements were mere incidental surplusage, inserted by merchants as a sort of charity to help fill up the paper, and rarely attracted attention. Today the newspaper is indispensable, not only to the merchant but to the shoppers of the family as the universally accepted medium of attracting business.

Advertisements are no longer the regulation musty affairs they used to be. They are among the most artistic and attractive features of the popular newspaper, and the frugal housewife scans the fresh business announcements of each day or week as carefully as the dealer or speculator scans the produce or money market. Those business houses who patronize the newspapers are the ones who secure the bulk of trade. The carefully edited, compact, fresh, complete, cheap and neatly printed newspaper is the popular favorite, and the only channel through which the public can be reached, either for business or sentiment.

The Local Newspaper.

The public have little appreciation of the value of well conducted local newspapers. Their offices of beneficence to the community are so common that they are unnoted, but none the less no town or city can advance without its newspapers are in the forefront of advancement. They are the life of the community. They must lead in every effort to invite capital, enlarge industries and enthuse the people in the use of their advantages.

The local newspaper is the one newspaper that should command the patronage of the community. If only one journal can be taken in a family it should be the one published at home. There is now little excuse for any person of ordinary intelligence not taking a city daily with the local newspapers, since the best can be had for a nominal cost; but there should ever be the heartiest accord and sympathy between the local newspaper and the community.—Philadelphia Times.

Readers Should Discriminate.

And so Mr. —— —— doesn't like some of the things he reads in this newspaper? Neither do we. But he is at liberty to pick out what he doesn't like and leave the rest for some one who is less fastidious. Does he know what they call the man who sat down at a first class hotel dinner, and beginning at the first item on the bill of fare tried to eat every dish mentioned thereon? This newspaper presents a varied bill of fare every week, but there is no law compelling you to devour every portion of it. Just put aside what you don't relish and say nothing about it. And don't swear at the editor. It's both wicked and foolish.—Exchange.

Buy a Hen.

Too poor to take a home paper. Well, that is a distressful condition. Buy a hen, feed her on crumbs and waste from the kitchen and she will lay eggs enough to pay for a year's subscription; then work her up in a pot pie and she will pay first cost, so the paper will be clear profit. Repeat this process year after year and you will see how easy it is to pay for your home paper.—Lagonier Leader.

The advice of The Leader would be excellent if it was not for the fact that nine out of ten who don't take a paper don't know how to set the hen.—Walkerton Independent.

He Found Their Consciences.

"Our next issue," wrote the editor of a contemporary, "will be exceedingly interesting, as it will contain the names of all our delinquent subscribers." But when the time came to send out the next issue it was discovered that there were no delinquent subscribers. They had all paid up! Such is the power of the press.

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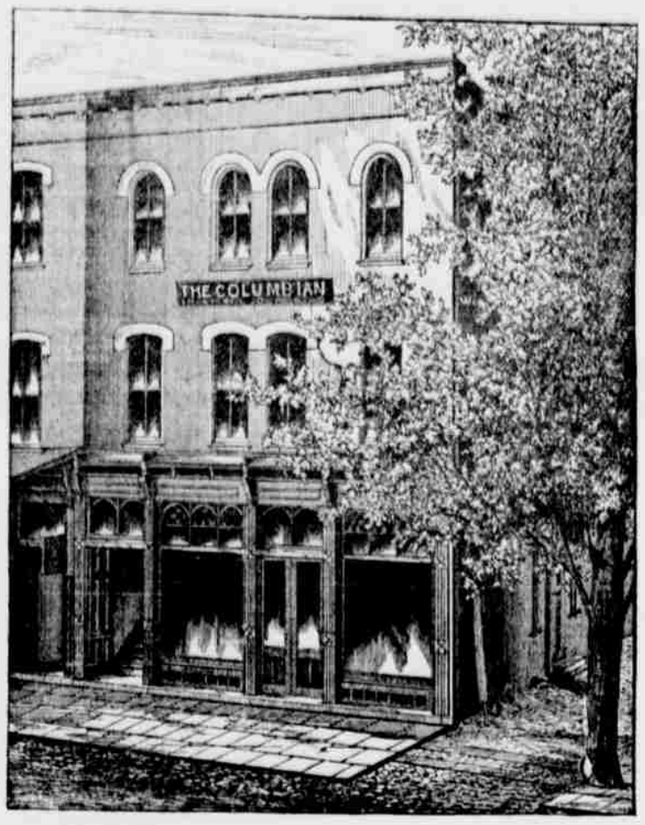

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ELI PERKINS'S NEW BOOK

IT IS A LIVELY ONE AND IS NAMED "THIRTY YEARS OF WIT."

A Few Quotations From It—The Popular Humorist Says That He Has Been Telling Good and Bad Stories for 30 Years and More.

The ever young Eli Perkins informs the public that he has been for 30 years telling and hearing good stories, and in his new volume, "Thirty Years of Wit" he gives the best of those that he has heard and of those that he has told.

"When I asked Bill Arp one day if he really killed many Yankees," says Mr. Perkins, he said:

"'Well, I don't want to boast about myself, but I killed as many of them as they did of me.'"

"Mr. David Welcher tells me," says Eli Perkins, "that Mark Twain, when in a good humor, told him the story of his courtship, and how he won his beautiful and wealthy wife. She was a Miss Langdon, of Elmira. When Mark first met her he was not so distinguished as now; his origin was humble, and for some years of his life he had been a pilot on the Mississippi River. The future Mrs. Clemens was a woman of position and fortune; her father a judge, and doubtless expected 'family' and social importance in his son in law. Clemens, however, became interested in his daughter, and after a while proposed but was rejected.

"'Well,' he said to the lady, 'I didn't much believe you'd have me, but I thought I'd try.'

"After a while he 'tried' again, with the same result, and then remarked, with his celebrated drawl, 'I think a great deal more of you than if you'd said "Yes," but it's hard to bear.' A third time he met with better fortune, and then came to the most difficult part of his task—to address the old gentleman.

"'Judge,' he said to the dignified millionaire, 'have you seen anything going on between Miss Lizzie and me?'

"'What? what?' exclaimed the judge, rather sharply, apparently not understanding the situation, yet doubtless getging a glimpse of it from the inquiry.

"'Have you seen anything going on between Miss Lizzie and me?'

"'No, indeed,' replied the magnate sternly. 'No, sir, I have not.'

"'Well, look sharp and you will,' said the author of 'Innocents Abroad,' and that's the way he asked the judicial luminary for his daughter's hand."

Eli Perkins asked the Rev. "Sam" Jones:

"'Do they ever answer back to you from the audience when you talk so savagely?'

"'Yes, often. Every now and then a burnt sinner will squeal. Sometimes they get a good joke on me too. One day, in St. Louis,' continued the preacher, laughing, 'an awful funny thing happened. I had been attacking the gamblers and drunkards for an hour, and I said a drunkard was lower than a dog.

"'Just then a shabby, blear eyed man arose tremblingly and started to leave the church.

"'"Stop! young man," I said. "Stop!"

"'The young man stood still, with a thousand eyes on him.

"'"If you'd rather go to hell than hear me preach just go on!"

"'"Well," replied the man, after a pause, "I believe I'd rather." And out he went.'"

"I was talking one day," says Eli Perkins, "with Mr. Depew about demand and supply. I said the price of any commodity is always controlled by the demand and supply.

"'Not always, Eli,' said Mr. Depew; 'demand and supply don't always govern prices. Business tact sometimes governs them.'

"'When,' I asked, 'did an instance ever occur when the price did not depend on demand and supply?'

"'Well,' said Mr. Depew, 'the other day I stepped up to a German butcher, and out of curiosity asked:

"'"What's the price of sausages?"

"'"Dwenty cents a bound," he said.

"'"You asked 25 this morning," I replied.

"'"Ya, dot vas ven I had some. Now I ain't got none I sells him for dwenty cends. Dot makes me a repudation for selling cheab und I don'd lose nodings."

"'You see,' said Depew, laughing, "I didn't want any sausage, and the man didn't have any; no demand or supply, and still the price of sausage went down."

After telling us no end of funny stories Eli Perkins says: "Any one can write humor who will sit down and write the honest truth. There is no imagination in humor, while wit is all imagination."

"I have known a kind of half sad humor," said Eli Perkins, "where two earnest people misconstrue each other's thoughts. I once heard of a dialogue between a sweet, dear old clergyman in Arkansas and an illiterate parishioner, which illustrates this idea.

"'Your children have all turned out well, I reckon,' said the clergyman, as he sat down to dinner with the parishioner he had not seen in church for several years.

"'Well, yes, all but Bill, poor feller.'

"'Drunk liker, I reckon,' said the clergyman sorrowfully.

"'Oh, no; never drunk no liker, but hain't amounted to nothin'. Bill was deceived, an' it ruint him.'

"'Love affair? Married out of the church, maybe?'

"'Yes, an' a mighty bad love affair.'

"'She deceived him, eh?'

"'Terrible! Terrible!'

"'Ruined his spiritual life and he married another?'

"'Oh, no, she married him; married him? I guess she did.'

"'But, confidentially, what was the cause of your son's grief and ruin?'

"'Well, you see, Brother Munson, she was a widder, and let on she was well off, but she wa'n't. W'y, she wa'n't able to get Bill a decent suit o' clothes the week airter they wuz married. Poor Bill has gone ragged ever since the weddin'. Poor boy, he's lost all confidence in wimmen, Bill has.'"

GAMBLING IN LIVES.

PECULIAR METHODS OF INSURANCE IN ENGLAND.

Miserable Wrecks of Humanity Whose Death Is Made a Source of Profit. Tricks of a Knavish Trade Sometimes the Gamblers Get Disappointed.

The Pall Mall *Budget*, of London, states that the revelations made in the course of an action against an insurance company at the present Manchester assizes have forced into the public notice as hideous a traffic in human life as ever disgraced a civilized country. Gambling in lives has in many Lancashire towns, but chiefly in Blackburn, long been a lucrative occupation.

The insurance companies are hoodwinked and defrauded, and the miserable victims of conspiracy are, by means not actually criminal, shuffled out of life. Husbands insure their wives, wives their husbands, children their parents. Any one who is believed to be "within measurable distance" of the grave is fair game for the speculator. He scans his neighbor as a valuer scans a houseful of furniture.

Let but the symptoms of consumption or any other fatal disease appear, and he makes insinuating advances to secure a policy on the doomed one's life. Of course his victims are as a rule selected from the very dregs of humanity—the drunken, diseased, and feeble—who for the sake of prospective drinks readily sign the "bit o' paper," and thenceforward have the path to the grave smoothed and facilitated by the creatures who fatten upon them.

The case heard at the Manchester assizes differs in no essential respect from a hundred others. The victim in that case was a wretched old hostler, or hanger on, of a public house. He had not a copper in the world to call his own; but he had something much more valuable to others; he had unequivocal symptoms of speedy decease. Forthwith he was honored with the anxious attentions of the harpies. Glowing reports were made to the insurance companies of his prospects of reaching a patriarchal age; and in the end the poor old fellow, trembling on the brink of eternity, bore the burden of 20 policies with a total value of £1,700. Happily, one of the insurance companies had the courage to fight the conspiracy by disputing the claim, and were victorious. Indeed, the barrister engaged for the plaintiff, when he saw the sort of case he was put up to champion, honorably threw up his brief.

This case is but a type of hundreds of others which have made life assurance a term of evil import in the north of England. In Blackburn a common loiterer about the market place is insured in various companies for £9,000. He is aware of the fact that death will materially increase his commercial value, but so long as his income of a few shillings is supplemented by fees for signing insurance papers "he does not care how long the thing goes on." This poor wretch is respectably connected, and once held a decent position in society, but a life of dissipation has brought him into the web of the insurance speculator, whence he will never escape, save in a coffin. In another case a man who spends a large portion of his time in the workhouse is insured for £3,880, and in a third a hawker of bags of coal, who, living, is worth hardly the clothes upon his back, will as a corpse be valued at £1,900.

Many of the mirerable beings thus traded upon are totally unconscious of the enormous sums which are involved when they "sign a bit o' paper" for a "friend" and a drink. In one instance, a poor sickly weaver, who is insured in one office alone for £1,000, when asked whether he knew the amount of his insurance replied, "Well, nobbut a few pounds. 20 or 30, happen." He admitted that he had never paid the premiums, and that he did not know the person who had acted as referee. Further investigation showed that the policy had been effected by an intermediary, who, in consideration of a portion of the commission, had served to conceal the identity of the insurer.

Gambling in lives, like gambling in stocks or on the turf, not infrequently involves loss to the gambler. Some of the wrecks of humanity who are the special objects of the solicitude of the speculator display a most unexpected tenacity to their thread of life. With one foot in the grave, they yet manage to keep the other out for an unconscionable time. Even the constant supply of neat brandy with which their patrons indulge them with the view of assisting them speedily to a better world is often ineffectual. Nay, it seems only to increase the vitality of the remaining leg. One typical case will suffice as an instance.

A certain feeble and apparently moribund old fellow has been the subject of very particular attention from the speculating fraternity, who have insured him wholesale. His signature to policies has been eagerly sought after, and he has revelled in unlimited supplies of spirits for years. He has, however, proved himself an uncommonly tough morsel for his patrons. Racked by cough, afflicted with rheumatism, he yet "lags superfluous on the stage," and not a few policies on his life have been allowed to lapse. One speculator alone has paid more than £10 above what he will receive when the hardy old fellow's final account is rendered.

Doubtless the wonder will be that these conspiracies against the insurance companies are possible. The system, however, is very simple. The speculators are in league with the more unscrupulous insurance agents, from whom they receive a portion of the commission the companies allow on new policies. They act as the agent's tools, and after taking an interest in the victim's prospects of a more than early death, induce him or her to be insured. This done, the rest is easy, for with the agent cooperating with him the speculator has little difficulty in hoodwinking the company and palming upon it a life which, were the true facts made known, would be accepted on no conditions whatever.

It's a mistake to suppose that the social lion is the king of beasts.

No More for Him.

Missionary—Won't you take a tract, my friend?

Whoop La (the Pawnee)—Not much! Last tract said "and Lo, he was cast out."—Judge.

Here's the Chance.

If Europe is in danger
Of starving since her rye
And other grains are failing,
To save her we will try.
Let her seek Uncle Samuel
And find his Sunday vest,
Press money in his pocket
And we will do the rest.
—Philadelphia Press.

An Old Bachelor's Excuse.

"You were never married, I believe?"

"No, I was never married."

"That's a little singular, isn't it?"

"No, not at all. You see, the first time I fell in love I said to myself, 'I'll marry her or none.'"

"Why didn't you marry her, then?"

"Well, you see, after I had become better acquainted with her I said to myself, 'I'll marry none rather than her.' Since that I've got along very well with none."—Texas Siftings.

Dreadful.

Oh, when will my heart find a cure for the smart
That Cupid has left with his mischievous dart?
For my pretty typewritter has said she will be
A simple amanuensister to me.
—Judge.

Tempus Fugit.

Marvin (somewhat absentminded)—Why, Spatts, you don't seem a day older than when I saw you last.

Spatts—Perhaps not. You saw me this morning.

Marvin—Did I? How time flies, to be sure.—Puck.

Rather Careless.

Polly—So you are really and truly engaged—how did it come about?

Patsy—Well, papa said he didn't care, mamma said she didn't care, Jack said he didn't care, and I'm sure I didn't care, so we became engaged.—

Hard All Round.

"What are you crying about, my little man?"

"Jimmy O'Brien licked me first, an' then father licked me for letting Jimmy lick me, an' then Jimmy licked me again for telling father, an' now I suppose I shall catch it again from father."—Life.

Brief but Expressive.

He owned a gun—in it he blew—
The gun went off, and he did, too.
—Judge.

Joy Among the Germs.

First Tubercular Bacillus—I see by the papers that a new germicide has been discovered.

Second Tubercular Bacillus—Good enough! I hope it will be as nutritious as Dr. Koch's.—Epoch.

Why Not?

Elderly but Well Preserved Widow (in business)—This is an employment agency, is it not?

Manager—It is, ma'am. What can I do for you?

I want a bright, active, capable young man for a typewriter.—Chicago Tribune.

Beyond His Power.

A man may delve with muscle or brain;
May struggle for power or strive for gain;
May climb to the pinnacled heights of renown;
Or, by trouble o'erwhelmed, be forever cast down;
May deem himself the lord of creation,
Society's monarch, the strength of the nation;
But there's one thing for certain a woman can do
That's beyond his skill—bite a thread in two!

A New Industry.

"Jones put his parrot in the cage with his owl the other day."

"What was the result?"

"He got enough feathers for a new featherbed."—Judge.

Time to Grow an Appetite.

"Let's go into this restaurant and get something to eat."

"But I'm not hungry."

"That's no matter; you will be before you get anything."—

They All Do It.

She pointed him a moral one case,
Said he, "how very nice!"
And stored it in the attic, where
It makes a home for mice.
—Cloak Review.

No Turning Back.

Teacher—For what was Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt?

Dicky Boy—For keeps.—Puck.

A PRIZE ESSAY.

A Small Boy Discusses a Great Subject.

The Deckertown (N. J.) Independent, in awarding prizes for the best essay on "The Local Newspaper," gives the following, whose author is a young school boy of Newton, Addison P. Rosenkrans. It is certainly a meritorious production, and would do credit to a college man:

The first English newspaper was published in London, in 1622, and the first one in this country was issued at Boston, in 1690.

Now their number is untold, and their power is as great as the territories in which they circulate.

Wherever civilization exists their influence is felt.

But we are to write particularly of the local newspaper.

It educates society. Man is a social being. No one lives alone.

All are bound together by ties of interest and sympathy.

A knowledge of the actions of a community makes each citizen a vital force of society.

This can only be supplied by the local newspaper, which not only gives events occurring that affect the interest and character of the community, but it receives and gives information from all portions of the world, relating what others are thinking and doing in social, business, educational, political and religious circles.

It molds public opinion, which sweeps like a flood everything that obstructs its pathway, and is found in the feelings and reason of men who are guided and governed by a true knowledge of public issues.

It secures good government by publishing and criticising the official acts of those holding positions of public trust.

It gives warning by exposing the follies, vices and wrongdoing of persons as so many beacon lights to turn others from the rocks on which they have been shipwrecked.

It makes history by recording the achievements of the past and local current events of every kind, and preserving them in durable form for the benefit of posterity.

It is useful to business. It studies the condition of all classes, and states accurately every occurrence and every sign which affects trade.

Producers and dealers through its advertising columns find purchasers for their goods, and consumers learn where to get what they wish.

It aids and elevates the poor. Its trifling cost puts it within reach of all, and it brings to those who cannot get daily papers and periodicals, on account of their expense, a knowledge of public affairs and provides them with reading matter both interesting and instructive.

It teaches moral principles.

By its constant warfare against crime, ignorance and oppression, and its advocacy of truth, virtue and intelligence, it is the chief agent in the improvement of public morals and in the advancement of the people in virtuous knowledge.

It Is Indispensable.

In olden times newspapers were considered valuable to readers only for their news, and advertisements were mere incidental surplusage, inserted by merchants as a sort of charity to help fill up the paper, and rarely attracted attention. Today the newspaper is indispensable, not only to the merchant but to the shoppers of the family as the universally accepted medium of attracting business.

Advertisements are no longer the regulation musty affairs they used to be. They are among the most artistic and attractive features of the popular newspaper, and the frugal housewife scans the fresh business announcements of each day or week as carefully as the dealer or speculator scans the produce or money market. Those business houses who patronize the newspapers are the ones who secure the bulk of trade. The carefully edited, compact, fresh, complete, cheap and neatly printed newspaper is the popular favorite, and the only channel through which the public can be reached, either for business or sentiment.

The Local Newspaper.

The public have little appreciation of the value of well conducted local newspapers. Their offices of beneficence to the community are so common that they are unnoted, but none the less no town or city can advance without its newspapers are in the forefront of advancement. They are the life of the community. They must lead in every effort to invite capital, enlarge industries and enthuse the people in the use of their advantages.

The local newspaper is the one newspaper that should command the patronage of the community. If only one journal can be taken in a family it should be the one published at home. There is now little excuse for any person of ordinary intelligence not taking a city daily with the local newspapers, since the best can be had for a nominal cost; but there should ever be the heartiest accord and sympathy between the local newspaper and the community.—Philadelphia Times.

Readers Should Discriminate.

And so Mr. —— —— doesn't like some of the things he reads in this newspaper? Neither do we. But he is at liberty to pick out what he doesn't like and leave the rest for some one who is less fastidious. Does he know what they call the man who sat down at a first class hotel dinner, and beginning at the first item on the bill of fare tried to eat every dish mentioned thereon? This newspaper presents a varied bill of fare every week, but there is no law compelling you to devour every portion of it. Just put aside what you don't relish and say nothing about it. And don't swear at the editor. It's both wicked and foolish.—Exchange.

Buy a Hen.

Too poor to take a home paper. Well, that is a distressful condition. Buy a hen, feed her on crumbs and wash from the kitchen and she will lay eggs enough to pay for a year's subscription; then work her up in a pot pie and she will pay for a new, so the paper will be clear profit. Repeat this process year after year and you will see how easy it is to pay for your home paper.—Ingomer Leader.

The editor of The Leader would be excellent if it was not for the fact that nine out of ten who don't take a paper don't know how to set the hen.—Walkerton Independent.

He Found Their Consciences.

"Our next issue," wrote the editor of a contemporary, "will be exceedingly interesting, as it will contain the names of all our delinquent subscribers." But when the time came to send out the next issue it was discovered that there were no delinquent subscribers. They had all paid up! Such is the power of the press.

PATHWAY OF GOLD.

In the light of the moon, by the side of the water,
As I sit on the sand and she on my knees
We watch the bright billows, do I and my daughter,
My sweet little daughter Louise.
We wonder what city the pathway of glory,
That broadens away to the limitless west,
Leads up to—she minds her of some pretty story
And says: "To the city that mortals love best."
Then I say: "It must lead to the fara way city,
The beautiful city of rest."

In the light of the moon, by the side of the water,
Stand two in the shadow of whispering trees,
And one loves my daughter, my beautiful daughter,
My womanly daughter Louise.
She steps to the boat with the touch of his fingers,
And out on the diamond pathway they move;
The shallop is lost in the distance, it lingers,
It waits, but I know that its coming will prove
That it went to the walls of the wonderful city,
The magical City of Love.

In the light of the moon, by the side of the water,
I wait for her coming from over the seas;
I wait but to welcome the dust of my daughter,
To weep for my daughter Louise.
The path, as of old, reaching out in its splendor,
Gleams bright like a way that an angel has trod;
I kiss the cold burden its billows surrender,
Sweet clay to lie under the pitiful sod:
But she rests at the end of the path, in the city
Whose "builder and maker is God."

CHUMMING WITH AN APACHE

Never go chumming with an Apache, says the San Francisco *Argonaut*. You smile at such strange advice? Well, I might have smiled at it once myself. But we are all creatures of circumstance, and I was a tenderfoot then, anyway. This is how I chummed in with my little Indian:

I was swinging my red and blue clubs under the pepper tree at the back of the railroad station. This I did because I had a theory that exercise was good for a man living on a desert. The lazy Mexicans and most of the Americans thereabouts had no ruddy glow on their faces. They were all sallow. What I wanted was a ruddy glow.

My red and blue clubs circled about very prettily that day, and the ruddy glow came; also a dripping epidermis and a big desire to sit down in the shade of the pepper tree and blow tobacco smoke. The tree was a small one. When the station tank ran over, which was not often, its roots received a little moisture. So it grew, slowly.

As soon as I dropped my clubs a squeal of disgust went up from somewhere, and as I turned about I saw a small brown head dart behind a cactus lined rock.

I said nothing, but leaned back on my seat, pulled my sombrero down over my face, and shammed sleep, with one half closed eye on the rock and the big cactus shrubs. No use. You can not get an Apache out of his hole that way.

Next day, with my beautiful exercise theory still bristling in my brain, I turned quickly, while in the midst of my club swinging, and saw the wide open eyes and gasping mouth of the cunningest little savage I had ever beheld. He sprang about and fled behind the rock, but not too quickly for me to read "XXX Family Flour" in large red letters on his back. His one short garment was a cotton sack, with holes cut through it for his head and arms.

"Come, Tads," I cried, christening him in that fleeting second with a name that stuck to him all his life, "out of that!" And I jumped behind the rock, swinging an open hand that did not grasp the flour sack as I had intended it should.

Where was the wee savage!

Like a lizard he had darted from sight somewhere in that little patch of rocks and cactus, though there did not appear to be cover enough there to conceal a jack rabbit.

"The spines must scratch him," I thought as I looked at the prickly cactus; but I did not know then how Apaches put up with such small irritations. Not wanting to give the boy unnecessary torture I went back to my clubs. Throwing my eyes about again I caught another fleeting glimpse of the brown head as it dodged behind the rock.

Tads must have been disappointed next day, for there was no club swinging under the pepper tree. The duties of telegraph agent lay too heavily upon me, and the sun lay too heavily upon the desert. I saw Tad steal away from his lair about two hours after my usual exercise time and walk down the sand drifts with a dejected air, his one garment flapping in the hot wind.

A wild nature like his was proof against such snares as the toothsome confection, the golden orange, or the mealy peanut. I found that out by trial in the course of the next week. But an old jackknife won him over. That was something his Apache mind could grasp. It was a greater delight to him than the red and blue clubs. Sworn friends from that day were Tads and I. His talk was a ridiculous mixture of English, Spanish, and Apache, and his voice was very throaty. But I understood him.

Indian like, he said little. It was, therefore, easy to get along with him. He would sit for hours on a high stool, listening to the "tunk-tunk-tunk" of my sounder. The telegraph was an awful mystery to him at first, and it squelched his imagination; but he solved the problem at last. A man away off over the mountain spoke with his finger to me and I spoke back to him. That was his idea of it, and it was not such a bad one, either. The hummings of the wires overhead were the voices of people with ponderous fingers, but they were not of this world.

How the cowboys laughed when they saw Tads and me in the station!

"That tenderfoot's a queer one," they said of me.

The despised Apache could not crawl into their hearts—no, not even if he were a 6 year old.

"He'll steal everything the tenderfoot's got," they pleasantly averred. But he did not.

When Tads left the station of an evening his little brown feet pattered straight over the road to the wickiups, a half mile away. In time he wore a narrow trail over to the huts.

"Pitty vell," was what Tads would grunt to me every day when he came shyly into the office and I greeted him with a friendly "How-de-do?" Then he would shrug his shoulders in a way that wrinkled the three Xs into such bewildering folds that you could not have read them unless you had known what they were beforehand.

One day while he was meandering about the place, grunting quietly to himself, he upset one of my battery jars.

"Tads," I cried angrily, for the desert's breath was hot upon me and was irritating enough, let alone spilled vitriol, "you're a little beast! Skip out of here, or I'll take a stick to you!"

Then arose a great howl from Tads, and he kept on howling until an Apache woman came over the sands from wickiups and gathered him up in her arms. She was his mother. She eyed me suspiciously and walked away with her highly demonstrative burden.

Of course I regretted my hot language and wanted the little beggar back again. It was so lonely there on the desert. The wires wailed so heart brokenly, while the sun beat down so fiercely in the daytime, and the coyotes yelled so dolefully at night. How he had crept into my heart, to be sure!

It was several days before we were on satisfactory terms again. Tads wanted to be a white man. He wanted to make "talk marks" on "pupper" with a feather—I sometimes used a quill pen, be it remarked—and he wanted to speak with his finger. Well, I did manage to teach him a few letters from a railroad poster, and he learned to drawl out "T-a-d-s" in a droll way. With perseverance that was really startling, I afterward took him in an uncertain way through a page or two of "Can You See the Fat Ox," and so on, wherefore his heart was glad.

"I'll be white mans, heap sure," he declared in his bullfrog voice, after he had accomplished this wonderful feat.

Great distress reached Tad's soul on the fatal day when the wickiups were taken down and the tribe mounted their mustangs to go over the hills. Apaches had to search all over the station to find Tads. At last they hauled him forth from under my bunk, screaming like mad. Of no avail were his screams; of no avail were his cry, "Me yanter to stay wid him; me yanter be w'ite man!"

Apache papas are unbending and Apache mammas are inexorable. Away they whisked Tads, leaving behind him a tenderfoot with a queer feeling in his throat.

"Well, the boy has the instincts of a white man," I said, for I was proud of what I fancied I had made of him, "and he'll be a shining light among those devilish people of his. If we had a few more like him to put among them, the Apache question would settle itself, and we could set our soldiers to hoeing corn."

Then I took up the restless life of a city man, and a big and busy railroad office claimed a good share of my attention for the next 10 years. Yes, it was fully that long before I again set foot upon the desert. Our train stopped at the old station. How the pepper tree had grown, to be sure! In its shade sat a cavalry sergeant with a half dozen of his men about him, and in their midst were three Indian prisoners who were being taken to the fort to be shot.

They were fierce looking fellows, those three savages. There was one, the youngest, who was a perfect demon, the soldiers said.

"Killed three women and two babies down at Mustang Wash last Tuesday," said the sergeant to me, "just after one of them had given him his breakfast, too. He is a young one, not more than 17, I should say, but he's the worst red devil I ever saw."

Gazing at the boy captive, a strange feeling stole over me. The stolid face was oddly familiar.

"His name? Blessed if I know," said the sergeant; "what do you call yourself, young one?" he asked, giving him a not too delicate poke with the toe of his boot.

"Me? Why my name's Tads!" grunted the boy.

"Talks pretty good English for a wild devil who has been over the Mexican border so long, doesn't he?" asked the sergeant, turning to me.

But I said nothing.

Might Make a Small Beginning.

He was a big, blustering fellow, and when he stepped into the store the proprietor hurried to wait on him. His purchases amounted to about two dollars and a half, and when they were all wrapped up he said:

"Charge it to me. I'll drop in to-morrow and settle it."

"No," said the little proprietor.

"What!" cried the big man. "Don't you know who I am? I'm——"

"I know that," said the the proprietor. "But that is all I know about you. I can't charge it."

"You can't? Why, I can buy your blamed store."

"Yes," acquiesced the little man mildly.

"Including the building and lot."

"Yes."

"And you won't charge it then to me?"

"No."

The big man seemed to swell up with wrath.

"Look here," he cried. "I'll buy your whole outfit. I'll show you whether I am good for two dollars and a half or not. Just you begin to figure on the price and I'll come in to-morrow and take the shop. I'll show you what I am worth."

"You might begin now," said the little man.

"What?"

"You might begin to-day. You might buy that package now and you won't have so much on your mind for to-morrow. I'm willing to knock off the interest on the two dollars and a half for a day."

Then the people had to come in from the street to prevent a disturbance.

A MORE ACCOMPLISHED KNITTER.

Ere woman was emancipate
She knit with care his socks, but now,
Exalted to her higher state,
She knits with care his manly brow.
—Detroit Free Press.

THE SOLEMN PASSENGER.

He Approves of the Pleasant Passenger and Makes the Gruff One Stare.

"Well," said the solemn looking passenger in the front seat to the pleasant young man just behind him, "the harvest is past, but the summer is still with us."

"Sure!" replied the young man.

"But it's on the wing, though, continued the solemn man. "It's flying!"

"Right along!" said the pleasant passenger.

"Time is fleeting!" remarked the other.

"Well," said the pleasant youth, shaking his head, "that depends on how much time you get."

"Sir!" exclaimed the passenger in front.

"I say three months 'll fleet quicker than three years," replied the pleasant passenger, smiling. "Won't it?" said he to the gruff passenger who sat beside him.

"They say so that's tried it?" said the gruff passenger.

The solemn passenger was silent awhile, and then opened up again.

"These are the days," said he, "that the frivolous and unthinking spend in idling where the sea roars, or the mountain breezes whisper, or the streams of the valley murmur. You are not bound on idle vacation. I trust, my dear young friend?"

"Well, not exactly!" replied the pleasant young man, with a shake of his head.

"You bet your life he ain't!" said the gruff passenger.

"I am pleased to know it!" said the solemn passenger. "But I grieve to hear you suggest my wagering anything upon it, even so worthless and poor a thing as life. So you are not one of the trivial throng who are just now flocking to idle vacations?"

"No, sir! I am not!" replied the pleasant young man.

"You rejoice me!" said the solemn passenger, lifting his eyes, while the gruff passenger chuckled.

"I'm going on a vacation, though," said the pleasant young man, "but it won't be an idle one!" And he smiled at the gruff passenger, who chuckled again and said:

"Right you are! And the next station is ours!"

"Ah," said the solemn man, "and its name?"

"Sing Sing!" replied the gruff passenger. "This young gent stays three years with us for having three wives, and none of them dead!"

The gruff passenger, from his manner, apparently thought this revelation would shock the solemn man into speechless horror, and he was knocked dumb himself when the solemn passenger grabbed the pleasant young man by the hand.

"My poor young friend!" he exclaimed. "Another martyr to righteousness and faithfulness to the law! May the spirit of Brigham sustain you!"

When the train stopped and the gruff man and the pleasant passenger got up to leave the car the solemn man pressed a card in the young man's hand. The gruff passenger took it and read it. This was its inscription:

ABED GRIMBLETOP,
Elder Mormon Church of
Latter Day Saints,
Utah.

—New York Sun.

The Males Falling Behind.

Statistics show that the male population of the civilized world is falling farther and farther behind the female. According to the last British census, the excess of women and girls over men and boys in Great Britain is about 900,000, an increase in 10 years of nearly 200,000. The German census of last December places the number of females about 600,000 above that of the males in the kingdom of Prussia, or nearly three times the excess of 20 years ago. There are 1,000,000 more females than males in the German empire. In Sweden and Norway the "weaker sex" are in the majority by 250,000, in Austria-Hungary by 600,000, in Denmark by 60,000, and in all European countries they outnumber the males. In the United States, Canada, and Australia the males are in the majority, though not largely so, the estimated excess of males in this country being only 1,100,000 or 1,200,000. It is plain that but for immigration, which furnishes a much greater number of men than women, the latter would soon be in the majority here. There is a large preponderance now of females in New England and in some other sections of the United States, and if immigration were to materially decrease undoubtedly the surplus of males would soon disappear in the whole country. In less civilized countries, where women are lightly esteemed, it is otherwise, India having about 6,000,000 more men than women, while the males largely preponderate in China. The obvious deduction is that the higher civilization is most favorable to the increase of the female sex, and this suggests the interesting question whether civilization is doing the best thing for the world in producing this result. A fact of hardly less interest brought out by the British census is the marked decline in the marriage rate, which has been almost steadily tending downward for nearly two decades. Meantime there has been an even more decided decline in the birth rate, so that not only is marriage decreasing, but marriages are becoming less prolific on the average. There is the same tendency in this country, prevailing chiefly among the better classes. An excess of females in a country is certain to have an unfavorable influence on the marriage rate, and the moral consequences of such a state of affairs can easily be conceived.—Omaha Bee.

City Man (patronizingly)—Aw! You conduct this farm yourself, eh? No help at all? Farmer—Only at harvest time, when I hire some. I've got one son, but he ain't here. I sent him t' th' city t' earn his livin'. "Sent him to the city, eh?" "Yes. He ain't got brains enough for a farmer."—Good News.

A WHALE STORY.

REMARKABLE PET OF A SOUTH PACIFIC PLANTER.

The Big Fish Trapped in a Lagoon—Its Sportive Gambols—The Story of the Proprietor of a Live Sperm Whale.

On a small island in the South Pacific there lives a planter who has for a pet a whale 67 feet long. A correspondent, who went out in a boat with the planter, gives this account of his interview with his whaleship:

"Shut your eyes," said the planter, "if you wish to enjoy a surprise."

I closed my eyes, and the boys soon ceased their drumming, and some one blew long blasts upon a horn. Then that, too, ceased, and the boat lay motionless, and nothing disturbed the stillness. All at once I heard a huge sigh, and felt a hot and sickish breath. There was no need for the planter to bid me open my eyes, for the lids would not stay shut. Not more than six feet away I saw a huge monster floating on the surface and looking at us with the most expressionless eye that I ever saw in a living beast.

"That's my pet," cried the planter. "I raised him almost from the time he was a baby of 20 feet long, and now he measures 67 feet, and lots more growth to come yet."

The pet was a sperm whale. He seemed enormous when compared with us men. Behind the great head there stretched a long body, covered in great patches with barnacles as large as a teacup, and the sleek flukes of the tail, lying flat upon the water, seemed ever so far away, yet ever so much too near when I recalled whalers' accounts of the behavior of this animal when it is angry.

The great head rose from the sea so high above the water that it becalmed the boat. The eye was about the size of an ox eye, and had almost the same deep violet shade. The ear was not far distant from the eye, a simple opening in the skin. The color of the skin was a dusty black, which became lighter and more yellow underneath. Except for the barnacles, the skin was quite smooth.

The great animal lay motionless, just out of arm's reach, until the planter called to him and dabbled his fingers in the water much as one attracts a kitten by scratching on the carpet.

The distant flukes made a half turn in the water, and the whale moved easily toward us and ranged up alongside, just touching the boat. The planter reached over the gunwale and gave the whale a slap between the ear and eye, and bade him turn on the other side.

Immediately the great head sank, passed under the boat, and came up dripping on the other side. Then the sea monster sculled ahead until it was 600 or 700 feet away from the boat. Then it began a series of antics, and displayed an agility scarcely to be expected from so large an animal. It darted straight ahead, it suddenly backed water, it swam in a circle, it gamboled like a dolphin, it threw itself clear from the water, making a great splash and dangerous waves when it fell back; last of all it put its head down and flukes up, throwing nearly half its length into the air, and rose quietly beside the boat. Then the chopped meat was thrown overboard, and we rowed back to shore while this odd pet was feeding.

"How did I get him?" said the planter, in answer to my flood of questions. "It might be more accurate to say he got me first. One day, some years ago, I was sailing up the lagoon with a barrel full of chopped meat to bait a pool in the reef beyond. All at once I felt the boat lifted up and overturned; and when I had righted her and clambered aboard there was the whale feeding on the meat which had been scattered all about. He was only 20 feet long then, but that was quite long enough to give me a good scare, in addition to my ducking. Somehow or other he never seemed able to find the pass back into the sea, and now he is so big that he could not get out if he wished to. From being afraid of him I grew reconciled to his presence in the lagoon, and at last I began to feed him.

"From that time he attached himself to me, and I found that he relished being petted. Once, when I was ill, I left him untended for several weeks. He came down the lagoon much further than usual, and at last ran himself aground just below my house, and had to wait several hours for the tide to float him off. That shows that he missed me. Here is another example of his intelligence. When the boys drum upon the bottom of the boat, he hears the sound a long distance under the water, and at once comes to the surface. Then, if I blow the horn, he knows that I have come out to feed him, and comes quickly to the boat. But if I do not blow the horn he never comes close, but frolics around us at long range. It is not easy to say how much intelligence a whale has, but this ought to convince any one that my big pet is possessed of considerable."

When the Salvation Army Was Started.

The Salvation Army has been in existence just 13 years. It had its origin in a sensational way in the English town of Whitby, in the rough coal mining district of Yorkshire, where General Booth, at that time Rev. William Booth, was doing humble missionary work. England was then in arms, expecting to jump into the Russo-Turkish war. It occurred to Booth that he might attract a crowd by issuing a declaration of war himself, so he prepared one forthwith, sprinkled it plentifully with hallelujahs, and posted 2,000 copies of it about town. The device tickled the British sense of humor, there was a "red hot, rousing meeting," to quote General Booth, "the penitent fell down in heaps," and the Salvation Army sprang into life full grown.

A Short Sermon.—When a man becomes so good that he spends all his time reproving his neighbors, the devil smiles and commences to lay up coals for future use.

Ceremonies are different in every country; but true politeness is everywhere the same.

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Heads of More and Raleigh.

When the wise and witty Sir Thomas More was beheaded, his head was stuck on a pole on London Bridge, where it was exposed for 14 days, much to the grief of his daughter, Margaret Roper, who resolved to secure it. "One day," says Aubrey, "as she was passing under the bridge, looking at her father's head she exclaimed: 'That head has lain many a time in my lap; would to God it would fall into my lap as I pass under!' She had her wish, and it did fall into her lap." Probably she had bribed one of the keepers of the bridge to throw it over just as the boat approached, and the exclamation was intended to avert the suspicion of the boatmen. At all events, she got possession of it, and preserved it with great care in a leaden casket until her death, and it is now inclosed in a niche in the wall of her tomb in St. Dustan's church, Canterbury.

Sir Walter Raleigh's head, in a red bag, was carried to his wife, who caused it to be embalmed and kept it with her all her life, permitting favored friends, like Bishop Goodman, to see and even to kiss it. His son, Carew Raleigh, afterward preserved it with similar piety. It is supposed now to rest in the Church of West Horsley, Surrey.

Between Two Fires.

There is such a thing as being too obliging. When Commodore Billings and Mr. Main were on the river Kahima they had for attendant a young man from Kanoga, an island between Kamschatka and North America. One day Mr. Main asked him, "What will the savages do to me if I fall into their power?" "Sir," said the youth, "you will never fall into their power if I remain with you. I always carry a sharp knife, and if I see you pursued and unable to escape I will plunge my knife into your heart; then the savages can do nothing to you." This recalls the words of the French knight reported by Joinville: "Swear to me," said Queen Margaret, "that if the Saracens become masters of Damietta you will cut off my head before they can take me." "Willingly," returned the knight; "I had already thought of doing so if the contingency arrived."

There have during the past 17 years been a series of fashionable crazes in Japan. The year 1878 was the rabbit year. The Japanese went wild over these little quadrupeds. As much as $1,000 was paid for a single specimen, and speculations in $400 and $500 rabbits were of daily occurrence. Cock fighting, printing dictionaries by subscription, boating, whist, waltzing, gigantic funerals, and table turning are among other recent crazes.

In London there is a man who follows the business of tattooing. The majority of his patients are men who have designs of a naval character pricked into their skin, but there are also a great many women who employ his art, if it may be termed such. With women the decoration is usually a bee, a butterfly, a spray of flowers, or a monogram. These ornaments are worn inside the wrist, so that they can be hidden by the glove, if necessary.

Call a girl a spring chicken and she will laugh; call a woman a hen and she gets mad. Call a young lady a witch and she will enjoy it; call an old woman a witch and your life is in danger. Call a girl a kitten and she won't take it unkindly; call a woman a cat and she will hate you. —St. Louis Republic.

As a delicate attention to bereaved families who reside in hotels and boarding houses, a San Francisco man has fitted up a large and handsome mourning saloon, where funerals may be held. All the employees are attired in black and wear black silk hats.

OLD TIME "SAND CLASS."

Sand Took the Place of Slate in the School of Long Ago.

"Sixty years ago I taught the sand class in the schools of this city in the Grand Jury room of the old Court House," said a gentleman to Gossip last evening. "The sand class!" exclaimed Gossip; "What in the name of Socrates was a sand class?" And then the ancient pedagogue proceeded to say: "Sixty years ago the schools of the town occupied the old Court House, and I was one of the scholars. In the Grand Jury room there was a long table about 18 inches high with a strip of board fastened on the top all around the sides, thus making the center lower than the sides. This center was filled with fine sand an inch deep.

"At the end of the table was a wheel on which the letters of the alphabet were printed so that but one letter would appear at a time; around the table the smallest children of the school were gathered, and each furnished with a stick. I, as the pedagogue appointed by the head teacher, would take my stand at the end of the table and alongside of the wheel, and as I moved it would announce the letter that was brought to view, which the children would proceed to make in the sand with their sticks. When all had made that letter I would level the sand with a comb and the wheel would be moved on to another letter. And these little ones were called the 'sand class.' It was an interesting sight, the system was somewhat like the kindergarten of the present day, and it was certainly an economical mode of supplying writing material." This was the sand class of 60 years ago.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

Identifying Ancient Cities in Egypt.

Dr. Naville, the well known Egyptian explorer, the discoverer of Bubastis and the treasure city of Pithon, has recently identified other cities in Egypt, more especially some connected with the exodus of the Israelites. At the close of June last he presented the results of his discoveries at a meeting of the Victoria Institute, in London, presided over by Sir Gabriel Stokes, ex president of the Royal Society. Dr. Naville found that the Succoth, spoken of in the Bible, was not a city, as some have supposed, but a district, and from a valuable inscription found at Pithon that the latter became known to the Greeks as Heroopolis, and that although now many miles inland it was once a seaport, the waters of the Red Sea extending up to its walls, and merchants' ships are described by Strabo and Pliny as sailing thence to the Arabian Sea. Through some recently discovered papyri M. Naville found that Baal-Zephon was neither a village or a town, but a shrine of Baal and a noted place of pilgrimage. The sites of other places discovered were those of Migdol, which in after days was probably the Serapeum of the Greeks, and also Pi Hahiroth. In the identification of the two last places M. Naville was greatly helped by a papyrus. The bearing of his identifications is of no small interest to the students of history, both sacred and profane.

The Detroit *Free Press* says: "If a boy 15 years of age should be left 10 acres of land in Michigan, and his guardian should cover it with hickory trees, the income of the boy when he came to be 30 years old would be from $9,000 to $11,000 clean cash off his little farm."

In France the navvies on the railways work under umbrellas in wet weather.

Nearly 60,000 tons of cork are used for bottled beer and mineral waters consumed annually in England.

A medical authority in France says the gradual depopulation of that country is largely due to the immoderate use of tobacco.

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